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THE ARCHBISHOP'S PAGE

My Dear People,

Home from my long journey and long absence from the diocese, I thank God for His travelling mercies and for the privilege afforded me to see our boys in Korea and our Missionaries and Missions in Japan. It will take a long time to tell of all the sights and sounds and experiences—and smells. For months and even years I will revert to them in my thoughts and speech—"When I was in Korea or Japan" may yet become a word of warning that it is time for you to settle back comfortably and sleep!!

While it is fresh in my mind I must sketch briefly the things I saw and did. First, let me remind you that we are a nation at war. Our troops are engaged in battle and almost nightly casualties are suffered. Moreover they are facing an army vastly superior in numbers, although comparatively deficient in modern weapons of war. When they raid our lines they send hordes of fanatical Chinese Communists without any consideration for the terrific loss of life. On our side the line is thin—very thin, but it is offset by our immense superiority in fire power and equipment, intelligence and leadership.

Let me say—in case you have heard anything to the contrary—our men are well clothed—well fed and in good spirits. It is an army of which any nation might well be proud. But we have sent them to fight in a country which presents peculiar difficulties. Hills, or near mountains, rise on every hand out of narrow valleys. In order to move at all against the enemy these high hills must be scaled. Believe me it is an exhausting experience. I know, because the Brigadier felt that our visit would be incomplete unless we climbed one of them in order to have a closer view of the enemy entrenched on the next one. Hills and more hills.

We visited every unit in our Brigade and had a chance to talk to the officers and men. I brought back messages from those who have gone from this part of Alberta. Let me urge you to remember them all in your thoughts and prayers, for they are our ambassadors. They are sacrificially representing us in our war against the ruthless aggression of Godless Communism—a war which threatens to engulf the whole world.

But we cannot understand the nature of their sacrifice without some knowledge of the environment under which they are called to live. That is to say, something about Korea and the Korean people.

In all human history I question whether there has ever been such a picture of concentrated misery as Korea presents. Three million Koreans have

been killed in war. The country has been laid waste so completely as to present an indescribable picture of desolation. There is literally nothing standing in the way of human habitation after being fought over three or more times. There is no place behind the lines for our troops to go for a break from actual warfare, as there was in Europe. The best that can be done is to send a few away every three months to Japan for five days. We have not enough men to spare many from the line at any one time.

While the picture of the misery of the civilian population, as I said, defies description I must make an attempt in few words.

It is a picture of a whole people battered and bruised and broken into near insensibility. Poverty, hunger, disease, filth and death are the words that come to my mind. Refugees in their hundreds of thousands camp outside the city of Pusan in any kind of make shift shelter. In the villages and towns through which we passed on our way to the front—old women and little children were scraping among the ashes for something—I know not what. Trudging wearily beside the road men and boys carrying all they possessed on their backs were going I know not where, and I question whether they themselves knew, seeking—no doubt, food and shelter and protection from the bitter cold of the Korean night. Many a time our troops have found the wounded and dying and the grievously sick in the dens and caves into which they have crawled. When we find them they are tenderly cared for by our people.

Our men are, as you would expect, kind and considerate and concerned to do what they can, for these unfortunate people. They save up their chocolate ration for the padres to distribute. They give them lifts in their vehicles. Wherever you see a Canadian soldier there you will see a crowd of children gathered round hoping for something to eat, and be sure they get what they have to give them.

In that environment our troops will probably spend their Christmas. The same stars look down on mankind there as looked down upon our race when the wise men were guided to the manger cradle and found there the answer to man's age long quest. May God in His mercy and in His infinite love and compassion guide our feet into the way of Peace.

Yours faithfully,

Walter Schmonlin

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The Meaning of Christmas

Nowhere in literature is there another word picture so perfectly beautiful in the simplicity and directness of its telling, and the broad splendour of meaning and theme, as the narrative of the Annunciation and Birth of the Saviour. No human imagination has conceived, no art achieved, a story or thought to compare with it. Before the lowly, lonely shepherds the skies were peopled suddenly with divinity made visible, proclaiming the birth of the Son of God—the Saviour of Men, and the invocation on which the soul of mankind is lifted to hope and gladness, and the promise that the ancient yearnings and aspirations of mankind can, through this event, be fulfilled—"On earth Peace and goodwill."

The Christmas season is the time, above all others, for us to strive fervently to absorb what the heralding from amid the stars, and the birth in the manger, would teach us. We are prone to let our minds stray afar when we consider peace and universal good will. We look to Assemblies, Cabinets; talk of Legislation, and armies in far off places. We tend to believe that peace and good will in this world is a futile hope, an unfounded faith. Against the background of the picture of intrigue, hatred and war that man is showing to man is the picture of forgiveness, peace and love that God is showing to man—especially now at this Christmas season. When two pictures

are flashed on the same screen the result is bound to be blurred, and it will remain blurred until one projector or the other ceases to project. To me, Christmas brings the eternal truth that the projections of man are passing, while the projections of God are everlasting. That shining forth, for all the world to see if they will but look, is the picture of an eternal reality born to the world, who will save the world, and men and women in it. A Saviour, who saves in an eternal sense, mortal souls from the eternal destruction of selfishness, hatred and lack of peace.

"See how small I am, see how tiny I am," says the Christ-child, "surely there is room in your heart for me." This same child is the Omnipotent God. Once in man's heart he ceases to be tiny and becomes infinite.

"My hope is in the Lord, from whence cometh my strength" In a Christ-mass the laughter of the children will tinkle more clearly; the Christmas light will gleam more brightly; every sound of Christmas be sweeter, and I will make my Christmas Communion more truly a Communion of Peace and Goodwill in fellowship with man, as I find a Communion at peace with God.

BROADCASTS

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Dec. 30th, Christ Church.....CJCA

ANGLICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL OF THE AIR

Every Sunday, 10:45 a.m.....CFRN

An Appreciation

THIS issue brings us to the end of our seventh year of publication, and once again we wish to thank all who have made the magazine possible by their generous help and contributions. We would like at the end of this year to again say a warm "Thank you" to all our advertisers, whose generous support helps to make this magazine possible at its present low cost. We hope our subscribers will show their appreciation by supporting our advertisers whenever possible.

To all occasional contributors we express our gratitude, and hope they will continue to send us articles to help the work of our Church in this diocese.

Bethlehem

An excerpt from
"It Happened in Palestine"
 by LESLIE WEATHERHEAD

What magic there is in the word "Bethlehem!" All over the world, wherever Christian people celebrate Christmas, this word carries its magic into human hearts. We all interpret it according to our own nationality and temperament and make-up. Just as Leonardo de Vinci painted his picture of "The Last Supper" with an Italian table on which Italian rolls were set up for those who would eat, so we picture Bethlehem according to English tradition and custom.

A wild hillside on a glittering frosty night. The moon high in the sky in a setting of fleecy clouds. Shepherds wrapped in heavy mantles and blankets, crouching over a fire trying to keep warm. And near them, sheep huddled together for warmth in some rude fold open to the sky. Then the Angels. The sky filled with their luminous presence; and the shepherds lifting half-incredulous, wonder-stricken faces upward to see them. Then the majestic voices, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among the men of good will." It is not difficult to picture that.

In the distance the town of Bethlehem. The beckoning soft light of the inn, nestling cosily under the lee of the protecting hill. And in a stable, warm and straw-covered, fragrant with hay and the breath of the warm and patient beasts, a beautiful maiden with her newborn bonny baby at her breast. And Joseph standing there, rugged, protective, strong. What a lovely picture it is.

Bethlehem is only six miles south of Jerusalem. Going towards Bethlehem you pass along a ridge and look down into a valley on your left filled with smiling fields of corn. "The valleys stand so thick with corn that even they are singing." This corn gives to Bethlehem its name, which means "The House of Bread." There, too, are the grassy meadows where David, a thousand years earlier, watched sheep and guarded them from the attack of the lion and the bear Bethlehem is "royal David's city." Somewhere down in that valley, perhaps David and Goliath met somewhere near this spot, the mighty men who loved David broke through the

ranks of the Philistines to bring him water from the well of Bethlehem at such risk to themselves that, to David, the water had become the wine of blood. He felt unworthy to drink it, and in an act of spiritual insight he "poured it out unto the Lord," offering it to the God who is alone worthy of such a selfless offering. In fitting language and with fitting restraint the story is told.

Bethlehem is a city set on a hill. It is a peaceful and attractive little town with white, flat-roofed houses, nestling close together and giving one the impression of a toy town made by a child with a lot of little boxes. Most of its streets are narrow, so narrow that no car would traverse them. But Bethlehem seems friendly. One has no feeling of lurking evil such as is not uncommon in some narrow streets of Eastern towns at night. Why this is so I do not know. May it not be that Bethlehem is a Christian town? The proportion of Christians here is greater, I think, than in any other town in Palestine. Mohammedanism, so dominant in other parts of Palestine, is not so clamorous here.

Your guide would take you to the Church of the Holy Nativity. It was said to have been built in A.D. 330 by Queen Helena, mother of Constantine, the first Christian Emperor of Rome, and is the oldest Christian church in the world which is still used for worship, and the only one which survived the innumerable invasions of Palestine. In A.D. 611 the Persians destroyed every Christian Church in Palestine except this one. The story of how this site was preserved reveals incidents which can hardly be called accidents. Hadrian, for instance, determined to stamp out Christianity and profane the sacred rites, built a temple to Jupiter over the spot revered by Christians as that near which Jesus was born. It only served, during many stormy years, to ensure that the spot was marked in a more definite way than any which the Christians could have devised.

You enter the Church by a low door, made low, some tell you, in order that you shall be forced to bow the head in adoration. Made low, others say, to prevent the Moslems riding in on horse back

and slaying the worshippers. Made low, say yet others, to prevent travellers taking their beasts within and making it a caravanseria.

The Church, a cold, austere, Roman basilica, with massive Corinthian pillars and gold mosaics still discernable on the walls, is not an unpleasant building. What hurts are the stories of quarrelling which the guide narrates. You are shown a limestone cave, or grotto, and told that Jesus was born in it. It may be so. The hill on which Bethlehem is built is all limestone, and it was a common practice, in the case of a house built into the hillside, to enlarge the house by excavating a cave in that part of the house where the hillside itself provided a wall. It is attractive to think so, for in such an excavated cave Mary may have had a little more privacy than otherwise was possible.

One bows in this small cave desiring to worship. The walls are covered with tapestry. The air is heavy with incense. The place is lighted by no less than 53 lamps tended by priests. It is hard to worship. True, a thrill passes through one when one is shown on the floor a large silver star and hears the priest say "This is where Jesus Christ was born." Then one remembers that the removal of that star, years ago, led to a quarrel between France and Russia which became the Crimean War. Greeks and Armenians and Roman Catholics still quarrel for privileges within the sacred edifice. On one column are three nails, on one the Latins may hang a tapestry or picture, on another the Greeks may do the same. The third is a neutral nail on which no one may hang anything without precipitating a crisis which may become international. And always, at the place where the Prince of Peace was born, a policeman is on duty to deal with the quarrelling which so easily bursts forth.



Christmas at Lake Harbour, Baffin Land

Rev. G. A. Ruskell, B.A.

Many and varied are the places where Christmas has been spent and the Arctic is no exception to the rule. I have enjoyed the Festival in an igloo more than a hundred miles from the nearest white man, but as this is comparatively rare I shall describe Christmas at a Settlement.

Lake Harbour on the south of Baffin Island is one of the most beautiful Settlements in the North and lends itself perfectly for such a description. It was my good fortune to spend one Christmas there and I shall always remember it—the scene shall never fade from my memory.

Lake Harbour is approached by a long fjord, and on the evening of the 23rd the first teams could be seen in the distance—tiny dark specks on a sea of snow. December is the darkest month of the year but a full moon gave light to the travellers of the Arctic night. Slowly, for the going in this month is poor, did the teams wend their way across the interminable leagues of glistening snow. But two hours were to elapse before the first took shape. Now the team in the lead has reached the barrier ice some 200 yards below the Mission buildings. The traces are fast in the rough ice and the team has halted. The dogs, knowing full well that the end of the journey is at hand, strive to get on. But they cannot move until the traces are free of the ice. Meanwhile with muzzles pointing to the skies they give vent to that spine tingling howl so often heard in the Northland. Their comrades in the Settlement answer the call and presently the air is filled with the cries of huskies. The peaceful Settlement nestling among the hills in the grip of an Arctic winter has been roused from slumber. More teams have arrived at the barrier. There is now a trail across the shore ice and the dogs, eager to reach their destination for they may have come a hundred miles or more, are pulling to perfection. Some sleds turn over and are halted momentarily while others bump their way over the hummocks. Now the dogs are unharnessed and soon igloos will be much in evidence. At intervals, teams arrived during the long night and the following day much visiting was done. On Christmas Eve, too, the Church was decorated—candles were placed by the windows and a Christmas Tree in the Nave.

There are no trees on Baffin Island so it was necessary to "make" one. The handle of a broom served as a "trunk" and through which had been drilled a number of holes. Into these were placed dwarf willows the branches of which were covered with "frilled" green crepe paper. The tree stood on a square board and was supported by four stays.

At 11:20 p.m. the bell was rung for Evensong and was followed by midnight Eucharist. As the first peels rang out the natives with their children, young and old, came to worship. A storm lantern hanging above the West door shed its red glow across the threshold bid welcome to all. And I was pleased to see that the white population were well represented. 11:30 p.m., when the Church was filled to capacity, Evensong commenced. Eskimos love the services of our Church and worship in a very reverent manner. They are essentially religious for they live much nearer the unseen than we. Service over, I shook hands with all wishing them a happy and blessed Christmas. Holy Communion was said at 8:00 a.m. Christmas Day, and Mattins and sermon at 11:00 a.m. During the afternoon natives were entertained at each of the four white houses. They have a remarkable capacity for food. Evensong was said at 7:00 p.m. and the morning following all left for their camps. We wished them good luck, good hunting and God Speed. Another Christmas has passed.



meekly Thy word and receive it with pure affection," and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit" (The Litany).

Hence the Pulpit represents to us God's love for us and also says to us "take heed how ye hear."

The Church's Worship

The Reverend Canon C. E. F. Wolff

THE PULPIT

The Pulpit in the church brings to mind the sacred and important work of the priest as a preacher of God's Word. In recent years it has been customary for many to speak lightly of preaching and to feel that the sermon does not matter. Possibly it is true that there is too much preaching in the church but one must not forget that our Lord ordered preaching in the church as one of the chief means of spreading the Gospel among the nations. Persons who disparage preaching represent neither the mind of our Lord nor the wisdom of the Church. In fact, in the one service of the Church that has been given to us by our Lord, in the only complete service of worship that the Church possesses, a sermon is ordered to be preached. Hence the Bishop says to the candidate for ordination to the priesthood, "are you determined out of the said Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge. And after he has received the laying on of hands, the Bishop says to the newly consecrated priest "Take thou authority to preach the word of God (page 635 Prayer Book).

And this work is one of the most solemn obligations of a priest. Hence, the pulpit must never be cheapened. Strictly speaking, only a priest or Bishop should preach from the pulpit for it is from the pulpit that he preaches officially as a duly authorised officer of the Church doing what the Church intends him to do, with the authority of the Church behind him. We need to remember that the authority given to a priest, as set forth in the ordinal on page 635 of the Prayer Book is not given to any lower grade of ministry in the Church. Those admitted to a lower grade of ministry in the Church are permitted to preach in a limited way—something very different from the power and authority given to the priesthood.

Therefore, the pulpit should remind us of the loving care on the part of our Lord for his people—our soul's health and growth in grace—in the preaching of the word. But it should also remind us that the people have a duty to listen. "That it may please Thee to give to all thy people increase of grace to hear

A "Giving" Christmas

A Story for Children

It was the last day of school before the Christmas holidays; and, as a special treat, the teacher of Grade 4-B was reading her class a story. Phyllis Hawley sat up straight in her seat and listened intently.

The story was about a very poor little boy, who sold newspapers to buy food for himself and his mother. He wanted to get her a Christmas present; but how could he when it took every cent he earned to keep them going? Yet the idea would not leave his head. He saw in a store window just the thing he wanted—a crimson scarf that would brighten her dull, madeover clothes.

"Maybe," he thought, "if I try very hard, I can sell more newspapers than usual, and buy the scarf with the extra money."

The boy did work very, very hard, and was able to pay for the scarf at the end of the month. His mother was delighted when he gave it to her.

"And why do you think she was so pleased with her present?" asked Miss Fairgrove.

"Because it was so pretty," suggested somebody in the class.

Phyllis knew better, and raised her hand. "Well, Phyllis?" asked Miss Fairgrove.

"Because the boy worked so hard to get it for his mother," Phyllis said.

"You are right, Phyllis," said Miss Fairgrove. "That gift would have meant a great deal to the boy's mother, even if it had not been pretty, because he put his whole heart into earning it for her. It is not the beauty, nor the value of a present that counts, but the spirit in which we give it."

Phyllis kept pondering these words of Miss Fairgrove on the way home from school. They tore into little shreds her old ideas about Christmas presents.

Because Phyllis's father and mother were dead, she lived with two maiden aunts and a bachelor uncle, who cared for her with the greatest devotion. They always showered gifts on her at Christmas time, but did not expect any from her in return, and she had never thought to give them any. The presents for Ruth and her other friends were always carefully selected by Aunt Louise; and they

were beautiful and expensive—"fitting gifts" as Aunt Louise put it.

"He put his whole heart into earning it for her." That was what Miss Fairgrove had said about the poor newsboy. Giving presents must be just as important at Christmas time as receiving them—and not only giving them, but putting your whole heart into earning them.

The thought of Christmas, which had only that morning sparkled in Phyllis's mind like the ornamented tree in the Hawley home, now loomed bleak and desolate. It would not be worth while at all unless she could, in some way, earn money enough to buy presents for Aunt Amy, Aunt Louise, and Uncle Dick.

But how? She could not sell papers. She could picture the scene at home if she attempted any such thing. Aunt Louise would look horrified. Uncle Dick would laugh and call her "Newsy;" and Aunt Amy would understand. But Aunt Louise would win. She always did. No, selling newspapers was certainly out of the question. Besides, there was not enough time—only two days—one day, really, because Friday was Christmas. She could think of nothing that could be done in one day to earn enough money to buy three Christmas presents.

She told her trouble to Ruth Martin, her chum, who was walking beside her.

"Come with me," Ruth suggested. "Maybe Mother will have an idea. She often does."

Phyllis hesitated. Aunt Louise liked to have her come straight home from school. But decided that this time she would risk a scolding.

The children found Ruth's mother, Mrs. Martin, upstairs sewing. She listened gravely while they told her about Phyllis's trouble.

"Why don't you make some sachets for Aunt Amy and Aunt Louise?" she asked. "Perhaps we can think of something for Uncle Dick a little later."

"But would that be earning the presents?" Phyllis asked anxiously.

"Oh yes indeed," Mrs. Martin assured her. "It would be giving yourself, your time and your thought to get them, just as much as if you earned the money."

She found some pretty silk cloth, a needle and some thread, and a little thimble, and showed Phyllis how to start.

Phyllis worked diligently until half-past five, but her first sachet was not done.

"I'll call up your aunts," Mrs. Martin told her, "and ask them if you can't stay for dinner."

Phyllis, her heart beating rapidly, heard Mrs. Martin's side of the conversation. She judged that it was to Aunt Louise that Mrs. Martin was speaking, about her not going straight home from school.

"I wanted her to stay tonight," Mrs. Martin said. "I hope you will excuse her this time. I'll explain later."

She managed the conversation satisfactorily; for when she had finished speaking, she said that it was all right, and that Phyllis might stay until eight o'clock.

When eight o'clock came, Phyllis had finished one sachet.

"Come back tomorrow as soon as you can," Mrs. Martin told her, "and we'll go on with this."

The next morning at ten o'clock Phyllis reappeared. She started the second sachet, which was not finished by lunch time.

Mrs. Martin again called up Phyllis's home to see if she could stay for a meal. Aunt Louise thought things were being carried too far, but she consented.

The sachet was finished early in the afternoon, and then Mrs. Martin told Phyllis:

"I would like very much to have my silver cleaned. If you will do that for me, I will pay you fifty cents, and then you can go down town and buy something for your Uncle Dick."

Phyllis's eyes shone. "But I don't know how," she said.

"Oh, I'll show you," Mrs. Martin told her.

Two hours later the silver was cleaned, and Mrs. Martin took Phyllis and Ruth in her car down town. Phyllis bought a billfold, which she picked out herself. After that they hurried back so that Mrs. Martin could help Phyllis wrap up her presents before she went home.

The next morning, when the family gathered around the tree in the living room, Phyllis was very much excited. Today it was not the presents that she was receiving that were important, but the ones that she was giving. They were there on the lowest branch where she had put them the night before. She could not wait for them to be found, but rushed over and picked them up giving

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DIOCESAN NEWS



Social Service

For the information of all concerned the Diocesan Council for Social Service announces that Mrs. Adam now in attendance at the Social Service Rooms on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Council would welcome articles of wearable used clothing, and asks that transportation charges be prepaid. Please send parcels to 11714 92 St., Edmonton.

L. M. Watts, Secretary.

Cost of Living Bonuses

The Vestries of St. Faith's, Edmonton and St. Mary's, Edmonton have recently granted their Rectors cost of living bonuses.

Quarterly Meetings

The Archbishop and Archdeacon Tackaberry attended the Quarterly meetings at Church House, Toronto, in Nov.

Annual Diocesan Laymen's Dinner

Arrangements are now being made for the annual Diocesan Laymen's Dinner to be held at the Corona Hotel on Shrove Tuesday, February 26th, 1952. Further particulars will be given in the January issue.

Ordination

On Stir-up Sunday, in the Chapel of Trinity College, Toronto, Mr. Harold MacDonald and Mr. Russel Sayer were ordained to the Diaconate by the Primate.

Primate's Office

The Archbishop has moved his quarters to the ground floor of the Synod office. With a complete renovation and new furnishings, His Grace will be in surroundings more in keeping with the position which he now holds in the Church.

Our Flying Prelate

Our Archbishop has taken to the air lately. Flying to Japan, then to Korea, back again to Japan, then to Edmonton for twenty-four hours, and then to Montreal—what a flight! His Grace with his number of "flying hours" is the envy of all former pilots.

A.Y.P.A. LOCAL COUNCIL

Rev. S. Whetmore, Eastern Field Secretary of the G.B.R.E. was guest speaker at a rally which started the activities of the new season of the Edmonton Diocesan Council of the A.Y.P.A. The rally was held in the Parish Hall of All Saints Cathedral, Sunday, Sept. 22nd 1951. He spoke to us about the new emphasis on the A.Y.P.A. program of Work, Worship, Fellowship and Edification.

Worship—the plan will be—To put God first in the week by attending Church every Sunday. To receive Holy Communion regularly and often, always after sufficient preparation. To contribute an adequate part of our incomes to the work of the Church. To say daily: Morning prayers of praise, self-dedication and petition. Evening prayers of penitence, thanksgiving and petition. To give thanks to God before all meals. To keep the Church's days of fasting.

Work—The plan will be—To put Christian principles before profit. To do our daily work as an offering to God, making our place of work our altar. To take an active part in the social and political life of the community for the extension of Christian ideals. To make a daily effort to help those with whom we live and work to find Christ in His Church. To undertake at least one piece of work in the parish.

Fellowship—The plan will be—To put Christian principles before popularity. To resist every effort to promote class conflict and to be charitable to all people for Christ's sake—To be boosters for the A.Y.P.A. and to support enthusiastically the activities of our branches.

Edification—The plan will be—To discipline all our thoughts to the greater glory of God. To read daily and according to a definite schedule a section of Holy Scripture as God's living voice to the soul. To choose our literature, films and recreation by Christian standards. To consult our rector when we are faced with difficult spiritual problems and decisions.

A.Y. members from Camrose and Red Deer were present at this rally as well as members from nearly every branch in the city. Rev. S. Whetmore was the theme

speaker at the recent Dominion Conference held in London, Ontario. Two of the delegates who attended the Conference have been visiting the various A.Y.'s, telling us about the Conference and the plans for the next two years. Nineteen hundred and fifty-two is the Golden Jubilee Year, marking fifty years of existence for the A.Y. Celebrations are being planned which will include old as well as new and present members of the A.Y.

The next event of note is the Charade Contest to be held Nov. 23rd, at Holy Trinity. The Cockeyed Cup goes to the winner so come out and give St. Mary's (the present possessors of the cup) some competition.

The Christmas Party will be at St. Mark's Hall this year, Dec. 14th at 8:30 sharp. The price of admission will be 35c with a hamperable package of food for a Christmas hamper.

In January the sleigh ride will be taken care of by St. Luke's A.Y., there will be more information about this at a later date.

There is still hope that a radio program can be arranged, Dennis Corness and Rod Stutchbury are trying to arrange this. If any one is interested in helping with this program write or phone the secretary, Miss Mavis Robinson, 9536 103 Ave. Phone 21870.

There is much to be done this season, but with Thurston Harrison as our able president we hope to accomplish a great deal.

"Give me a sense of humour, Lord,
Give me the power to see a joke.
To get some happiness from life,
And pass it on to other folk."





Woman's Auxiliary



The President and members of the Diocesan W.A. Executive extend the Season's Greetings and best wishes for a happy Christmas season to the Presidents and members of all W.A. branches throughout the diocese.

Visit to Onoway

On the occasion of the presentation of a Diocesan Life Membership to Mrs. Alice Kettle at the Annual Harvest Thanksgiving service Mrs. E. W. de Laroque, Mrs. A. Garton, Mrs. R. T. Horne, Mrs. W. Maidment and the Diocesan President had the joy of being present and sharing in the service. The gift was from the Turnbull family. After the service there was a very happy luncheon at the home of Mrs. Dales.

Camsell Hospital Notes

At the recent evening Board meeting held in St. Stephen's Hall, it was decided to present Christmas bags to young and old at Camsell on the Sunday afternoon before Christmas. These are to be made of green or red net and filled with Christmas sweets—nuts, fruit, candy. Several branches offered to provide these bags and fill them. If any branches outside the city wish to participate, this is to say that such donations would have to arrive at the Synod office on the Friday before Christmas. (Size of cloth for bag, 8"x10", tied with Christmas ribbon and a card for the name of each patient).

On Saturday morning, November 17th the President made a very happy visit to the hospital with Archdeacon Clough to present a radio on behalf of the W.A. Board for the use of Mary Kendi of Aklaik. Mary was sent to Camsell early in 1951, recommended by Canon Montgomery to the special care of our chaplain at the hospital. When the President tried to establish some connection with mutual acquaintances by asking Mary if she knew Mrs. Koe (who had been in this city a few years ago) she received this answer, "Oh, yes, Mrs. Koe,—Vivian, is my sister-in-law." Then Mary offered further news that she had received a Christmas card from Miss Helena Sowden of London, England (Miss Sowden served our Indian and Eskimo work on the MacKenzie for a quarter of a century) and further that Miss Rhode Swift,

now serving at Aklaik, had visited many many, many times.

It is said time and again that any service to the Eskimo is amply rewarded by their Christian devotion.

This is the third Radio which the W.A. Board has presented to the Anglican patients at Camsell. There is a great need for several more radios to keep the patients cheerful and happy and there is an immediate request for a Record Player.

At least 15 W.A. members make regular visits to this hospital. At present there is need for still more. Who can spare the time?

Important Reminders

1. The membership fees and the balance of the pledges are due now.
2. Subscriptions to the Living Message (75c a year) are also due.
3. W.A. silver badges may be obtained with safety clasp by paying an additional twenty cents. If any members desire these, please inform Mrs. C. H. Harris, 10806 125 Street.
4. The Social Service Secretary needs large sizes (42) in men's clothing.

Educational

Mrs. L. D. Moore, the Diocesan Educational Secretary, has a film strip on the Study Book, "Looking South." This is the property of the W.A. Board and may be borrowed by any Branch planning something special in connection with the study.

New Branches

St. Michael's and All Angels Juniors.
St. Paul's Juniors.
All Saints' Juniors and Girls.

New Life Members

Mrs. Alice Kettle, Onoway; Mrs. J. Neale, Mrs. Card, Mrs. Dairs, St. Luke's.

Board Meeting

The first Board Meeting of the new year is planned for February 1st.

Daily Prayer for Peace

"Our Father in Heaven, we pray Thee to send into my heart and into the hearts of all men everywhere the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen."

Our People of the Eastern Arctic

Rev. G. A. Ruskell

It is only to be expected that those who donate to the work of the Church in the Mission Fields like to become acquainted with the activities of those who labour in the far off and distant parts of the world. They want to know, as vividly as pen can portray, what it taking place in these isolated Stations, and to know how their money is being utilized. In other words, they want information about those who have been converted and what effect Christianity has upon their lives. And perhaps few places in the world can show better returns for outlay in prayers and help than the Diocese of the Arctic.

It has been suggested that I confine my remarks to the Eastern Arctic where I have served for the past five years. The Arctic is so vast that it would be quite impossible for me to give a clear picture of the Missions in general. I have only been in the East and for that reason could not speak with authority about the people in the western portion of the Diocese.

Eskimos are nomads; they must follow the movements of the mammals and animals in order to provide their families and dogs with food. Of necessity, then, they are coastal dwellers. They live in camps which are dotted here and there along the coast line, and distances between them vary considerably—the larger camps being located where food is more abundant.

Eskimos live a very communal life, but unlike Indians they have no tribal system. Indeed, if we use the word tribe at all in connection with the Eskimos it must be given a very broad interpretation. Plato in the Republic maintains that all must work together for the common good: the community must take precedence of the individual. And precisely the same applies to the Eskimos. It is a very marked characteristic of these people. So much so, in fact, that in the old days, days before the Missionaries found their way to that land, when an Eskimo felt that he could be of no fur-

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Christmas Music

"Hark! how all the welkin rings"

It seems strange that, while as far back as the history of English-speaking peoples goes, music has always held a very prominent place in the celebrating of Christmas around the home fire-side or within the castle hall, while there has always been music, singing and dancing by itinerant entertainers and, later, by the hoi polloi of city, town and country-hamlet, strange that, until a bare hundred years ago,—that is, until the middle of the nineteenth century, it never seems to have occurred to our Anglican Brethren to have given music anything approaching an important place in the heralding and celebrating of Christ's birth. You will, naturally, ask my authority for that statement. A glance at old records shows that it was not until 1850 that church composers began to think of writing special Christmas music—publishers catalogues of that year mention arrangements of three Christmas Hymns (about which I will write later on), all dating back to the middle of the eighteenth century, some extracts from Handel's "Messiah" and half-a-dozen Christmas Anthems by old-time sixteenth century composers—Orlando Gibbons, John Bull and possibly the Italian Palestrina. While this small list does show a beginning of the Church's interest in music for Christmas, you will note that there is no evidence of any regard for the traditional "Carol" literature of the country. However, a remedying of this rather sad neglect by our Church, (note that I say "by our Church" because, between 1825 and 1850 several sets of carols and many broad-cast sheets of the same were issued for use at family and secular celebrations), seems to have begun with the issue of a set of Carols, the words edited by a priest (The Rev. H. R. Bramley) and the music edited by John Stainer (afterwards Sir John Stainer of St. Paul's Cathedral), and by the fourth quarter of the nineteenth century the present musical observance of Christmas in our churches was fairly well established. If I may be personal—I have the happiest recollection of the carols which (unaccompanied) invariably concluded daily Evensong in Worcester Cathedral, from Christmas to Epiphany.

Our special Christmas music today seems to place itself under three heads—

Hymns, Carols and Anthems—I think I may only find space to write about some of our favorite hymns and their music.

The oldest of our Christmas hymns is "*While shepherds watched their flocks*"—which was first published in 1702, the words are by Nathan Tate. This lovely telling of the Christmas story has been translated into almost every language including no less than four different versions in Latin while there are at least two English versions other than that to which most of us are accustomed; I feel that all of these are good and tell the Christmas story with most reverent charm and beauty. The tune to which it is usually sung is dated 1592 but its composer is quite uncertain.

Our next oldest hymn is "*Hark! the herald angels*" which dates from 1739 written by the great hymn-poet Charles Wesley; this hymn is to be found in a greater number of hymnals than any of Wesley's writings. One of its many versions gives this as the opening line "*Hark, how all the welkin rings*"—there is a splendid brilliance to that line, isn't there! but to me the word "welkin" has always seemed to suggest the green and sunshine of spring or summer. Someone might try to write an Easter hymn with that as the opening line. As you all know, the present tune, which is always used, is an adaption from one of Mendelssohn's works.

Our next hymn in seniority is "*Christians awake*"—first published in 1750 its customary tune by Wainwright dating a dozen years later. This hymn is a great favorite with many of you; I must confess that it has always seemed to me that, since all but the fifth stanza are about joy and glory and gladness and rapture, the tune is too slow and lies too much at a low pitch to make possible the brilliance of singing which the words demand.

Finally the "*Adeste, Fideles*" first published in 1751; the tune, which we all love to sing to open Mattins on Christmas Day, is fairly certainly ascribed to one John Reading, who was organist of Winchester Cathedral about 1675.

The different translations from the Latin are almost countless; I would quote just one of the variants of the first line

which seemed to me particularly effective; "*O come all ye faithful, triumphantly singing,*" I like the trumpet call of that word "*triumphantly*" though it would not sing quite as well as our "*joyful and triumphant.*"

May your Christmas be very happy and may you enjoy singing these old hymns, feeling glad that the great art of music has found a place of such importance in our Christmas Services.

Vernon Barford.

OUR PEOPLE IN THE EASTERN ARCTIC

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ther service to the community he would take his own life. But he would not do so in the presence of others. He would not even deign to mention to his nearest and dearest that the time had come for him to take leave of them. Indeed, in his igloo, for natives are very Stoical, none would be aware of the thoughts assailing him. Cool, calm and collected he would leave the narrow confines of the snow house and without a wave of the hand would be gone. But the day of his departure would be carefully chosen: a day when a blinding drift would sweep the rolling tundra and the visibility poor in the extreme. But all this has been changed now; the influence of Christianity has been very good. Our pioneer Missionaries have laid a solid foundation and to them we owe a deep debt of gratitude. Moreover, within the past decade the Government, too, has come to their aid: those who, through no fault of their own, can no longer hunt are now given a substantial food allowance weekly.

During the winter months visitations are carried out by dog team. No 'planes are used by the white residents of the Eastern Arctic. We must employ the services of a native and his team in order to visit our people. Now while dog teams are not fastest or most comfortable modes of conveyance nevertheless, they are ideal for our purpose. By this means we can, in some measure, experience a few of the hardships natives are called upon to endure. And above all, living, as we must, in close contact with them we get to know and understand them better. And the warm reception given was abundant proof of their loyalty to the Church and its message.

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

By the Rev. J. G. Gardiner

The Order of Holy Communion Part I

As the Holy Communion is one of the most important appointed means of grace we are privileged to receive, it will be considered in somewhat more detail, than the previous brief studies of the services of the Prayer Book. The fact of the importance of the Holy Communion in Christian religious experience, the frequency of its repetition and the continuity of its history, despite many changes in its mode of observance, all make it necessary to treat it more fully.

Strictly speaking the celebration of the Holy Communion is the only worship there is for Christians. We speak broadly of the Morning Service as worship, we may think of our private prayers as worship; and in a sense they are for they involve for us a certain amount of self sacrifice in time, effort and convenience. But actually the origin and purpose both of the offices of Mattins and Evensong, and also of private devotions, are to prepare our hearts and to edify and inform our minds, so we may come to the Holy Communion, the better to participate in it.

Worship is an action, springing from the dispositions of heart and mind and will. It is something done by the worshipper that he may enter into the life of the thing or person worshipped, in order to possess the attributes of that thing or person. From time immemorial, albeit crudely and primitively, men have offered sacrifice to what they believed in and called, God. Our own tradition stems from the Jewish tradition of worship.

Another fact is that worship of this sort has always involved a meal, which has been shared with God. The sharing of food has been always a symbol of friendship and fellowship in any age and among any people. Friendship and fellowship are naturally expressed and encouraged by eating together. Inviting people in, even for a cup of tea or coffee, is a sign that we like them. It has, besides the actual feeding value, and over and above it, a symbol of fellowship.

The primitive sacrifice was a matter of taking an animal, the best animal, and slaying it according to a certain rite. Part of the animal was burnt, (the part of the meal offered to God "an odour of a

sweet smell") the other part was cooked and eaten by the worshippers. Now the animal sacrificed was always the best, the most costly, as being the most acceptable to God, and the one most missed by the worshipper. The idea behind the sacrifice and having a meal with God, is, of course, communion. The act of worship puts the worshipper into contact with what is worshipped. Thus men had fellowship with God, and by sharing their meal with God. He would give them of Himself.

A meal, something sacrificed, fellowship and communion with God as a result, have been the activity and function of worship always. That is the characteristic way in which men have responded to their belief in God, always. What primitive man desired was the strength, the power the fertility of the God whom they worshipped. With a more exalted conception of God, we desire in our worship to commune with and possess, the love, joy, peace and blessedness, which we believe to be characteristic of God.

Our Lord Jesus Christ gave to men a new revelation of worship and of sacrifice. Previously, in Jewish worship, animals had been sacrificed on behalf of men. The animal for sacrifice was brought to the priest, who then laid his hand on his head as a sign that the animal was to be a substitute for the worshipper. The animal was then sacrificed instead of the worshipper.

Jesus was the fulfilment of the Jewish promise and prophecy. By His life and teaching and death on the cross He showed men a better way, and gave His life as a ransom for many. He gave Himself up in perfect obedience, in the sacrifice of Himself upon the cross once, and for all men. By that act and that offering was the whole world redeemed and saved. He did it for us and we can participate in it. What our Lord did is of equal importance as what He said and taught. He not only talked of love and humility and long suffering; He did it. He gave Himself completely to God, not even withholding His life. The death on the cross was not an unfortunate accident; it was looked for and premeditated. Jesus knew that He would have to sacrifice Himself, if He was to give perfect obedience to the will of God.

Now all this was summed up in what He did the night before He died. He performed four simple actions with some bread, and three more with a cup of wine, and then gave His disciples a command. That command was that they were to "Do this" to remember or to recall Him—and so Christian worship began. By means of doing this meal, they could participate in His life and work. Christ and His followers would always be united. He would be with them and in them whenever they obeyed His command.

This is what He did. He took some bread, He blessed it, He broke it, then He gave some to each of them and said "This is My Body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." Then He took a cup of wine, blessed it and distributed it amongst them with the words "This is My blood of the New Promise, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. Do this as often as you shall drink it, in remembrance of Me." Then He went out and gave Himself for them and for us as a sacrifice upon the cross. But that was not the end, for He had left a way in which His followers could share His life and presence. They were to do what He had commanded with bread and wine (a meal) in order that they could be in communion with, or communicate with Him. And that is what Christians have done ever since as their characteristic act of worship. When we offer ourselves to God in worship, it is not in any sense of repeating the sacrifice of Christ or of adding to it, but rather of sharing and participating in what He did once and for all.

A "GIVING" CHRISTMAS

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each one to the person for whom it was intended.

"I got some presents for you this time," she explained. "I made Aunt Amy's and Aunt Louise's, and I earned the money to buy Uncle Dick's."

Aunt Louise raised her eyebrows in surprise, as she opened her package slowly and carefully. "That's very nice," she said. "Thank you."

Uncle Dick opened his quickly, stuck it in his pocket, and said, jokingly, "Now I'll have a place to put my fan mail."

But Aunt Amy with shining eyes gathered Phyllis up into her arms and said, "I love your present, Phyllis," and kissed her; and Phyllis realized then the full joy of a "giving" Christmas.

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ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

The Very Rev. J. Grant Sparling
The Rev. Donald F. Moore

Daily week-day Eucharists at the Cathedral are now well-established. The Cathedral, as a Diocesan Church, prays each day for the Archbishop, and in turn for each parish and congregation in the Diocese as well as remembering a Bishop and one Diocese of the Anglican Communion throughout the world. Thus a great fellowship in prayer is being developed. Communion is held in the Chapel daily at the following hours:—

Monday, 10:00 a.m.; Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.; Thursday, 10:00 a.m.; Friday, 7:30 a.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Present and former members of the Choir gathered at the Annual Choir Re-union after Evensong on Nov. 4th. Dean Sparling introduced Mr. Vernon Barford, who has served the Cathedral for 52 years in its worship in music. Mr. Barford made fitting reply, paying tribute to both former and present members of the Choir. Miss Watson, choir vice-president, spoke for Mr. Fred Exham, President, and choir members in welcoming the "old faithfuls," who replied through Mr. E. R. MacDonald. Accompanied by Miss Dorothy Teape at the piano, Mr. Barford led the massed choir in the singing of some of the well-known anthems which have become so much a treasured part of the Cathedral's sacred music.

The Rev. G. A. Ruskell has given a most interesting and enlightening account of the Eskimo people to the A.Y.P.A. Mr. Ruskell has returned to the "outside" after five years as missionary to the Eskimos at Lake Harbour, Baffin Land. He has been making a Western tour, speaking and showing Kodachrome slides concerning the real story of Eskimo life and culture and our Church's part in it. Elsewhere in this edition of "The Churchman" there is an article by Mr. Ruskell. The A.Y.P.A. is re-conditioning the Christmas decorations for the Cathedral.

The Dean made a comprehensive study of "The Big Business of Re-Union" in a talk prepared for the bi-weekly Mens' Fellowship meeting. President Allen Nicholls introduced the Dean's talk following a bean supper. It's true to say both that some men are the best cooks in the world and that some of the best men in the world are good cooks!

The Senior Branch of the W.A. held a most successful Bazaar and tea Nov. 15th. Thanks are extended to the ladies of the congregation who so kindly donated home-cooking and also to all those friends who dropped in to visit that day.

The St. Andrew's Day devotion of the W.A. was led by the Dean in a corporate Communion on Nov. 30th.

Seven Christmas parcels have been sent to overseas clergy for distribution to the needy in their parishes. "We know these parcels are sincerely appreciated. Our thanks, again, to the members of our congregation for their donations of money for these parcels."

The Sunday School Christmas Party is tentatively planned for the Friday before Christmas, which is December 21.



ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS

October and November have seen much activity in this parish. The Harvest supper and Social Evening was voted a great success. There was an excellent menu, a very large attendance and satisfactory financial returns. The proceeds completed payment on our new pews.

The Girls' Auxiliary is doing good work under the leadership of Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Thornton. The Junior Auxiliary is well launched with Mrs. Kassian and Mrs. Runka in charge.

The October vestry meeting received with regret the resignation of Mr. W. J. Harrow, Peoples' Warden. The meeting expressed its great appreciation of the fine leadership given by Mr. Harrow in this important office. At a special congregational meeting Mr. Arthur Greene was elected in his place. We wish for Mr. Greene a happy and useful period as warden.

Under the W.A. a successful Tea and Bazaar was held on November 8th. All the ladies of the parish co-operated. G.A. and Juniors both had stalls. We offer sincere thanks to all who helped and all who came.

Several working bees by men of the parish have been held—repairing the hall and the church. As a result all parish activities will be carried on in greater comfort.

We welcome Mrs. Logan to the Sunday School staff.

A new branch Sunday School has begun on the Grierson Estate to take care of Beginners and Primary children there. Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. McPhee and Mrs. Cheston are working on the staff.

Confirmation lessons and discussions are scheduled to begin in the Church on Sunday, Dec. 2nd. All who seek confirmation, and all enquirers will be welcomed. The hour 10:00 a.m. every Sunday.

Please have replies ready for the Every Member Visitation committee. St. Michael's needs your help. A member of the committee will call, or, better, bring your reply to church.



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Rev. A. P. Venables

The Vicar was privileged to celebrate his first Service of Holy Communion in the church on the morning of All Saints, which day was also observed within the octave on the Sunday following.

Please cut out this new schedule of Services and hang it up over the sink or otherwise conspicuous spot!

1st Sunday, 11:00 a.m.—Parish Holy Communion.

2nd Sunday, 7:30 p.m.—Evensong.

3rd Sunday, 9:30 a.m.—Parish Communion.

4th and 5th Sundays, 7:30 p.m.—Evensong.

Saints Days: 9:30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

4th Sunday, after Evensong. "Social hour" in the hall.

Wedding bells rang for Miss Lilian May Fox and Mr. Keith McCargar on October 13th. Our Congratulations.

One purpose of Worship is to get our attention fixed on God, and to this end two new pictures have been hung, one on either side of the Knave—A local painting of The Good Shepherd hangs at the rear of the church, and a most beautiful iron-work copy of the Last Supper, also done locally, is in the Chancel.

We are happy to welcome three new teachers to our Sunday School. Miss Ivy Mae Moore, Mrs. Mary Anderson and Miss Muriel Smith.

The Bazaar and sale of home-cooking, sponsored by the afternoon branch of the W.A. on October 31st was most successful.

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We are greatly indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Poole for their recent gift, enabling us to place a thermostat in the Church. Mr. Greene especially joins us all in saying "Thank You." He will be saved many steps into the cellar!

As we go to press plans are laid for the Every Member Canvass to be held on Sunday, November 18th.

We propose to hold a Social Hour after Evensong on the fourth Sundays, the first to be on Nov. 25th. When the Rev. and Mrs. Wilson will be our special guests, and to whom we shall say a sincere "thanks" for their services in the Parish during the past year.



ST. MATTHEW'S

The Fall bazaar was held October 24th and in spite of unpleasant weather we had quite a successful Tea and Bazaar. All members worked hard and a big thank you goes out to all who helped. Sunday school is now starting again with Mrs. Steckle, Mrs. Shaw and Miss Joan Thompson as teachers. They report quite a good attendance. It will take a little time to get the Sunday School organized again.

We are hoping to have a few socials during the winter. Many of the older parishioners were so pleased to hear Father Lockyer was in Edmonton. St. Matthews' memories of him are most affectionate.



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Rev. W. E. Harrison

During the past month the Afternoon Branch of the W.A. held a very successful bazaar and tea. More than ordinary commendation is due them, for their labours were greatly increased by the lack of our parish hall and the necessity of working in the very cramped quarters of the Scout Hall.

The Evening Branch of the W.A. will hold their Doll Bazaar in the Scout Hall on Dec. 1st.

This month the A.Y.P.A. have commenced another project. Their rack of religious literature in the Church porch is a real addition and now they have undertaken to issue a bulletin of Church news periodically to all parishioners. The first issue was mailed out recently and was well received.

Once again we are looking forward to the Nativity Play which will be produced in the Church on Dec. 12th, 13th and 14th. Almost all the original cast are taking part again this year thus ensuring excellent results.

Our Parish Hall continues to grow. There is a faint hope that it will be in

use late in December, and we have definite assurance that it will be ready for January 15th.

Looking ahead to Christmas we are pleased to know that the Rev. F. A. Peake will again assist our Rector at the Christmas services.



ST. MARK'S

The Rev. G. W. Wilson

Afternoon W.A.—The Group is busily preparing for the Annual Parish Bazaar. Our Prayer Partner, Mrs. A. Hudson read a very interesting letter received from her prayer partner in the North, who is a nurse in the Hospital there. The Harvest Supper proved most successful.

Evening Group W.A.—We have commenced our Study Book on South America and are finding it most informative. Work for the bazaar is coming along favourably.

J.A.—The girls enjoyed a Hallowe'en Party in the hall on Nov. 3rd. The best costumes were as follows: comic, Beverly Orstad, Sandra Reisinger; Fancy, Rosalind Gale, Anita Blair; Original, Shirley Rutledge. The girls are dressing two dolls for the Camsell Hospital as their Christmas Missionary Gift. All the girls are working for stripes and badges to be presented to them after St. Andrew's Day. The girls are also handling boxes of birthday and assorted gift cards, floral pen notes, thank you notes, gift card boxes, and wrapping paper and stickers. Anyone wishing any of the above may obtain prices etc. from Mrs. N. Hughes, phone 24469. The Annual Christmas party will be held in December.

G.A.—The G.A. are holding their Mother and Daughter banquet on Wednesday, November 21st at which Rev. and Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Tackaberry will be special guests. The girls have successfully completed their cooking and home nursing course. Two new members were welcomed this month.

A.Y.P.A.—The Corporate Communion, with breakfast afterwards in the parish hall, which is held on the 3rd Sunday in the month, was well attended. The young people were the guests of the A.Y.P.A.

The Edmonton Diocesan A.Y.P.A. Christmas Dance will be held this year at St. Mark's on December 14th. We hope to see all of Edmonton's A.Y.P.A. there. Don't forget the hamper of food. The Installation of the A.Y.P.A. Executive of this parish will be held on December 2nd at Evensong. This is to be followed by a congregational fireside in the Parish Hall.

Plans have been made for us to go Carol Singing on the evening of December 21st.

Christmas Services:

December 23rd

8:30 Holy Communion.
11:00 Matins and Carols.
7:30 Carol Service.

Christmas Eve:

11:15 Carols.
11:30 Christmas Communion.

Christmas Day

8:30 Holy Communion.
11:00 Family Service.

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ST. PAUL'S

The Rev. G. D. Kelly

Men's Club—Now that the smoke has cleared away we are happy to report a very successful Men's Cake-baking competition and Tea. The twenty-five outstanding and up-standing entries were all judged "good." Three were judged "best" and we congratulate: Chris Hawkins, Ralph Wittaker and Sam Parker.

Sunday School—Of particular and seasonal interest to the children of the Sunday School are the two Christmas Parties. The Beginners Party and concert will be held on Friday, December 14th, starting at 7:00 o'clock. The Senior Party will be on Monday, December 16th and will begin with Supper at 6:00 o'clock. Further particulars with regard to both these events will be given at Sunday School.

The Afternoon W.A. held its election of officers on Wednesday, November 14th. Among those elected to office for 1952 were: President, Mrs. R. Davidson; Vice-President, Mrs. A. Croucher; Secretary, Mrs. C. Laudan; Treasurer, Mrs. L. Kvittem.

Christmas Services:

Christmas Eve

11:45 p.m. Choral Communion.

Christmas Day

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion.

11:00 a.m. Choral Communion.

We are particularly anxious that the children of our Parish should attend this service with their parents.

**FORT SASKATCHEWAN, GIBBONS, BON ACCORD AND REDWATER**

The Rev. J. E. Williams

The Every Member Canvass has been undertaken in all four parishes and although at present the final results are not known we are hopeful that they will be gratifying.

The Confirmation candidates at Gibbons and Bon Accord are looking forward to the important day in their lives when our beloved Archbishop will conduct the service of the "Laying on of hands." The service at Bon Accord will be at 2:00 p.m. on December 2nd and at Gibbons at 3:30 p.m. A reception for the Primate and the candidates will follow in the Community Hall at Bon Accord.

The Community of Fort Saskatchewan and surrounding districts were saddened at the news of the death of Mrs. Cora Henry. Mrs. Henry was a faithful member and ardent worker for the Church and showed her interest in the affairs of the community in a practical way. She was loved and respected by all and especially by the Brownie Group of which she was the leader. The funeral service was held at All Saints Cathedral where a large number of relatives and friends

had gathered to pay their last respects. The service was conducted by the Rev. W. W. Buxton with Dean Sparling and the Rev. J. E. Williams in attendance. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

The Christmas services will be as follows:

Sunday, December 23rd:

Carol Service at Redwater, 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th:

Holy Communion at Bon Accord, 7:30 p.m.

Holy Communion at Gibbons, 9:00 p.m.

Midnight Service at Ft. Saskatchewan, 11:30 p.m.

"Come let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord."

**ST. JAMES**

Work progresses slowly but steadily on the church building for the new parish of St. David's. We are hoping the contractors will have it useable by Christmas, so that we will be able to have our first service theme. As soon as we get the windows, doors, furnace and lights, we hope the interior finishing work will be done by volunteers from the parish. It will be a fine looking building suitable both as church and parish hall.

During the summer and fall the services have been held in various homes, with a small but steady group appearing week by week. A Sunday School was started this fall, and meets in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Rogers. Since work began in the new area Mr. and Mrs. Rogers have been most generous in making their home the centre for meetings, services and not a few meals. Many are indebted to them for great kindness and frequent hospitality. Once the church building is available for use, we hope to organize as many groups as possible to use it. In October the Archbishop formed a committee of several laymen, to forward the work on the church and in the parish.

**ST. DAVID'S, King Edward Park**

Various difficulties have prevented a church building being started in St. David's Parish. However services are still held in the Community Hall each Sunday. Unfortunately due to unreasonable rental charges it has been impossible to continue the work of a couple of children's groups started during the summer. The Sunday School has been growing during the fall, and we are grateful for the regularity and interest of the teachers: Mr. Crook, Mrs. Woolridge and Miss

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Bishop. Mrs. Woolridge has recently had to drop out, but Mrs. Patterson has kindly come at once to our rescue.

A W.A. has been formed and Mrs. Careless elected president. Although they have only been going a few months they held a bazaar early in November. It was a great success and much credit is due to various members who worked so energetically to make it so. They are already planning another.



ST. STEPHEN'S

Rev. Canon C. E. F. Wolff

During the past few weeks the interior of the church has been given a "new look." Thanks, almost entirely, to the efforts of the recently formed Guild of St. Francis a splendid job of re-decoration has been done. All that remains to be done is the painting of the floors.

We record, with pleasure, the return to duty of Mr. Ballantine, our conscientious organist and choirmaster. Work has now been started on our Christmas program and we hope for a repetition of the good results of years gone by. We have been pleased to welcome several additions to the choir in recent weeks and hope that they will enjoy working with us. We still have room for more, especially men's voices.

We are again pleased to announce that, through the courtesy of Radio Station CKUA, we shall be able to broadcast our Solemn Christmas Midnight Mass in its entirety. The broadcast will begin about 11:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve and the Service will commence at 11:45 p.m. The Christmas Services will be:

Sunday, December 23rd, 7:30 p.m.—
"The Festival of the Nine Carols."

Christmas Eve

11:45 p.m. Solemn Midnight
Eucharist.

Christmas Day

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion.

11:00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist.

Sunday, December 30th, 7:30 p.m.—
Evensong and Carols.

Other services for Christmastide will be announced in the special Christmas leaflet.

On Sunday Evening, December 9th. The Archbishop will hold a Confirmation. This will be his first visit to us since his election to the primacy of the Church in Canada. The newly confirmed will receive their first communion on Sunday, December 16th.

The W.A. Bazaar held on November 7th was a great success and we thank all who helped and congratulate the W.A. on the result of their efforts.

We were hosts to the Diocesan Board on the evening of November 14th.

The whole parish joins in expressing loving sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gregory in their recent loss of their little girl, Linda Ann, after a long illness.

ST. MARY'S

Canon W. T. Elkin

We were a little late in assembling the news last month and so did not get into print. However, we would still like to say that the Harvest Thanksgiving Services saw the church filled to overflowing, and many comments were heard on the beautiful decorating. A special word of thanks goes to Mr. Sydney Jeffels for his work and to all other who helped.

The Afternoon Group of the W.A. held their annual Fall Tea and Bazaar in the Parish Hall on Oct. 17th, with a large attendance making it a most successful affair.

The Evening Group will hold their Christmas Bazaar on Nov. 29th and in order to have more room this event will take place at All Saints Parish Hall.

The Junior W.A. have resumed meetings, and we are happy to welcome back Mrs. A. Potter, for a number of years the Junior Leader, who has consented to carry on with this work in view of our difficulty in securing suitable leaders. Mrs. White will be her assistant. It has been found necessary to form two groups in view of the large attendance, and the older girls now meet on Wednesdays at 4:30 with Mrs. Potter. The younger group, from 6 to 8 years meet on Fridays at 4:30 under the leadership of Mrs. Elkin.

During the morning service on Children's Day prizes were presented to members of the Sunday School. Our School was awarded the Diocesan Banner for the largest number writing and passing G.B.R.E. examinations. Margaret Burns won the Diocesan B.R.E. award for work books for Junior graded course. Nora Sharpe and Donna Paulson were awarded prizes for proficiency in Bible knowledge. Our thanks go to the teaching staff for their continued efforts in making the Sunday School second to none.

A second section of the 40th Wolf Cub Pack has been formed, meeting on Friday at 6:45 under the leadership of S. Anderson and A. Clough. The Mothers Group provided an excellent hot supper recently for 80 Fathers and Sons at their annual banquet. A masquerade Hallo-wen party was enjoyed at the last Oct. meeting.

The Every Member Canvass and Visitation got off to a good start at a meeting of all canvassers at which a delicious supper was provided by members of the Evening Group of the W.A. Excellent progress has since been made and by the time these notes are in print the Canvass should be complete.

Of special interest to many of our congregation is the following announcement: "Stoney Creek, Ontario, Sept. 29th—by the Rev. Jack Anderson, a former member of St. Mary's, the marriage of Miss Lavinia Davies to Mr. Frank Priestley." The Davies and Story families journeyed east for the ceremony and report a very pleasant trip. The parish join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Priestley every happiness.

Members of the congregation extend best wishes to Peter Cuff who has enrolled in the Faculty of Arts of the University of Alberta, preparatory to studying for the ministry.

Marriages—Robert Dwight Lehman and Kathleen Florence Birchall; Howard Allan Schowalter and Audrey Joan Marshall; James Edward Dickson and Sylvia Calder; Charles Albert Morrice and Dorothy Smith; Dennis Gordon Purdie and Joyce Arlene Roseborough.

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It is a little early for Christmas news, but the dates for the Christmas concerts have already been set as follows: Junior and Senior Sunday School Christmas Tree is to be held on Friday, Dec. 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the Highlands Community Hall. Beginners Sunday School (3, 4 and 5 years) in the Parish Hall on Saturday, Dec. 22nd at 3:00 o'clock. A program of Christmas music is being prepared by the choir, and the annual Carol Service will take place at a date to be announced in the next news letter.



ST. FAITH'S

The Rev. L. M. Watts

Each period of a month usually sees at least one service that lives on in ones mind—but this time we have been favoured with three. The annual Armistice Remembrance service and the Festival of All Saints Day—another remembrance service—at which one stands and hears again the names of those whose labours are finished for a time. The third was the visit of the Rev. F. A. Peake, who during the course of his sermon, made several points with which a number of his listeners heartily concurred.

It was very heart warming to see so very many of the young married fathers and mothers bringing their young daughters and sons to morning service and then at the second hymn watching the young fry in great eagerness trooping up the aisle to attend their class in the parish hall. We hope that more and more young parents will bring their children until our church literally bursts at the seams.

After an evening service late in Oct. the A.Y.P.A. entertained the young people of the parish and other members of the congregation at a fireside. The young people were invited to form a Junior A.Y.P.A. which they did, meeting after church the first Sunday in the month, alone and with the Senior A.Y.P.A. on the third Sunday evening. St. Luke's A.Y. were guests at a Hallowe'en party, at which it is understood a terrifying time was had.

Bazaars have again filled the air with the whirl of sewing machines, the click of knitting needles and most delectable smells from kitchens throughout the parish. The Afternoon W.A. held a gift Tea at the Rectory on Nov. 7th, followed by a most successful sale on Nov. 16th. The Evening Branch W.A. held their bazaar on the evening on Nov. 2nd, and in spite of the weatherman who threw everything in the book at Edmonton that day, had a most satisfactory sale. On Nov. 17 the Market lunch counter was staffed by the group and the returns

made the effort worthwhile. Christmas parcels and remembrances have been sent to the groups Prayer Partners, Canon and Mrs. Webster and family of Coppermine also to the Rev. Mr. Smith and family of England.

The Men's Club have had several work parties and have completed work on strengthening the foundation of the church (did you ever wonder why the church stands firm year after year?) and finished the concrete floor in the basement; also finished facing the parish hall with masonite and adding the trim. If there should be any man in the congregation who has looked with envy on the "after" pictures in the strong man ads—just come out the next time a work party is announced!

The Every Member Canvass took place on Sunday afternoon November 4th and in the space of two hours over 325 visits were made. On the whole the results were good, but it is rather discouraging to be met with such remarks as "Every Member Canvass? never received the card" or "Oh, that card! I gave it to the baby to play with." or "Never read it—put it in the waste basket," and so on. But then those people are only the minority, the majority realize that you have slogged through the snow to extend a friendly hand, and they ask you in for a cup of tea—as one lady canvasser said on returning to the parish hall "I've had the nicest afternoon, I didn't realize that so many grand people lived on such and such a street."

The Cubs and Scouts held a church parade the evening of October 28th, also Hallowe'en parties at which the Rector was a guest.

The J.A. and G.A. members also had Hallowe'en parties when all the spooks and witches again crept around the parish hall to make your back creep and your hair stand on end.

The time of the year is fast approaching when we should all immitate the good Chinaman and pay our debts by New Year's Day. Have you paid for your copies of the 1951 Churchman yet?



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Canon W. M. Nainby

Thanks to the work of the Finance Committee and the men of the Congregation, the Every Member Canvass was accomplished on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 4th in good time. The response was most encouraging even before the canvass actually started, and we are still receiving Pledge Cards or requests for Envelopes from other members of Congregation. This has meant a lot of work for our Envelope Secretary, Mr. Harry Moss, but he is most pleased with the returns.

Three large Bazaars each fall means that a lot of people in different organi-

zations are all working hard. The Young Women's Fellowship bazaar was held on Friday evening, Nov. 2nd and was well patronized. The Business Girls Club also did well at their booth. The W.A. Bazaar was held in the Church Hall on Friday afternoon, Nov. 16th and we were glad to have Mrs. Hawrelak open it for us. There was a large attendance, and the receipts were most gratifying. The Choir also held their stall, as well as the Girls' Auxiliary, and both report good sums raised for their work. About sixty stayed and enjoyed a fine supper.

The third bazaar is to be held on Friday morning, Dec. 7th in the foyer of the Garneau Theatre. It will be the Parish Guild Coffee Party and Bazaar, and the Holy Trinity Garneau Group will also be taking part. It will open at 11:00 a.m. and go on until 3:00 p.m.

Those who have been attending the Spokes Club have enjoyed every minute of it. Howard Tye is our Director, and we are much indebted to him for the careful planning of each meeting, and the smooth manner in which each session

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runs. It is doubtful if we will finish the course before the New Year, but all are feeling the benefit of it.

The Scouts, Wolf Cubs, Girl Guides and Brownies are to hold a Church parade on the evening of Nov. 25th. We hope the South Side Kiwanis will attend the service on Sunday evening, Dec. 2nd.

Both Senior and Junior A.Y.P.A. groups are meeting regularly. The annual Charade Contest is to take place at Holy Trinity on the 23rd of Nov. and both of our groups expect to take part. The Seniors sponsored a Sock Party this month, and everyone seemed to have an enjoyable time. A formal dance is to be held on Friday evening, Dec. 7th in the Hall.

The Mothers' Union meeting was held in the Guild Room, and took the form of a shower for the W.A. Bazaar. A number of beautifully made articles for sale were brought, and given to Mrs. Browse, the W.A. President. The W.A. is most grateful for this help from the Mothers' Union each year. The Mother's Union also hopes to be responsible for the arrangements for the Beginners' Department Christmas Party. The last count showed 98 children under six years of age in our kindergarten, and they look forward eagerly to their Christmas party. All being well it will be held on Wednesday, December 12th. A combined W.A. and Mothers' Union Social evening is to be held shortly.

A most enjoyable illustrated talk on her recent visit to England and the continent was given by Mrs. G. G. Reynolds in the Parish Hall. There was a splendid attendance, and refreshments were served by the W.A.

A number of Hallowe'en socials were held, including those by the G.A. and the Junior A.Y.P.A.



ST. PETER'S

The Rev. W. W. Buxton

Perhaps the most notable item of interest this past month is the fact that contributions to the Building Fund continue to come in. Since the previous report, \$1,500 has been received. Voluntary workers have been busy clearing the earth from the basement where the new furnace room is to be, and when this is completed installation of the heating system will begin. By Christmas we should be able to make ourselves a present of the completed hall ready for use. The interest and response in the current undertaking has been very gratifying and encouraging; our thanks to all those who have helped the work proceed to its present state.

On completion of the "contracted" project, voluntary workers will be needed to carry on the alterations to the old hall.

Unfortunately the deadline for these notes does not permit a report on the

success of the annual bazaar. However, an expression of thanks can be extended to the ladies for the months of hard work and planning that bazaars entail. We hope the returns will be encouraging.

Mrs. H. M. Reeves has taken over the leadership of the Brownies, who meet in the Parish Hall on Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. The Girls Auxiliary Group have as their new leader Mrs. Sim Baux, a member of the Evening W.A.

The card party sponsored by the Evening W.A. resulted in a most enjoyable Hallowe'en social. Proceeds amounted to some \$34.

As this Issue will be appearing very close to Christmas, the times of the Christmas services will be recorded for your convenience:

Sunday Evening

Dec. 23—Carol Service.

Christmas Eve

11:30 p.m.—Holy Communion.

Christmas Day

8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

11:00 a.m.—Matins and Sermon.

12:30 p.m.—Holy Communion.

Holy Baptism—Michelle Velma Mae Johnston; Loran Alan Joseph McVittie.



ST. LUKE'S, EDMONTON

Canon A. Wallis

W.A.—Three members of our W.A.'s received Diocesan Life Membership at the Choral Communion Service on Sunday, Oct. 21st, at 11:00 a.m. The Afternoon Group presented two, one to Mrs. A. Davis, and one to Mrs. Card; and the Evening Group presented one to their President Mrs. J. Neal. The gold pins in all three cases were presented by relatives. It was indeed a very inspiring Service, and a grand way of showing that the long period of faithful work in this organization is greatly appreciated. Strangely enough to notice that in all three cases, favourite texts were chosen from the Psalms.

On Friday, Nov. 16th a very successful Bazaar—Tea, Sale of Home Cooking—Fancywork—Fish-pond (for the Children) Sale of Candy was held in the Parish Hall. Quite a few seemed to have chosen the same date, but it was a good day and there was a grand crowd out.

Quite a few members have been on the sick list, but we are glad to report that all are home again, Mrs. Coles and Mrs. Davis having undergone major operations. We do hope that both will be about again soon. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Blower family in their sad bereavement.

A.Y.P.A.—On Sunday Evening, Oct. 21st the Young People held an Installation of Officers and Candle-lighting Ceremony. Dierdre Coghill was installed as President, Evelyn Crozier as Vice-President, Lynne Christopher as Secretary and Mr. Tom Buckham as Treasurer. The

four Vice-Presidents of Worship—Work—Fellowship and Edification are Lin. Husband, Jean Whittingback, Vera Walters, Helen Whittingback.

Several of the Choir Hymn Books have been re-bound in the Work Program of the A.Y.

On Tuesday, Nov. 13th a very successful Military Whist drive was held in the Parish Hall, and many remarked what a wonderful time they had, and hoped that the A.Y. would make a regular sequence of them. Good prizes were given and refreshments served.

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Choir—We are drawing near the Christmas Season and the Choir is busy preparing for it. There will be a Nativity Tableau early in December, a Cantata later in the Month, also Carol Service at Christmas time. We have many new additions to the choir ranks which makes a great deal of difference when practicing Anthems, etc. Our Junior Choir is doing well too. The first Sunday in Nov. they sang most beautifully at the Morning Service, Frances Maximik singing the solo part in the Anthem. Mr. and Mrs. Villettard are on the sick list the former is still in hospital, they certainly have had a long siege and we do pray for better health for them. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Brown is in hospital. Your prayers are asked for all these sick. The Annual White gift Sunday will be observed the First Sunday in December.

We would take this opportunity of wishing one and all a most blessed Christmas-time, and a fervent prayer that peace will come to men of good-will.

Baptism—Oct. 21st, Gwendoline Elaine Bjorge.

Burial—Nov. 6th, Louise Edith Blower.



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ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON

The Rev. H. W. Buchner
Rev. J. G. Gardiner
Rev. G. A. Robinson

The beautiful chrysanthemums on the Altar on the 22nd Sunday after Trinity were given by Mrs. Davies of Vancouver in loving memory of her husband, Mr. Edward Davies. The Rev. H. W. Buchner preached an outstanding sermon on the passage from Ecclesiasticus XXXVIII 9th. These verses are to be commended to anyone wishing to study Bible teaching on Healing.

The W.A. Meeting was held at Mrs. Tucker's. The Bazaar was the subject under discussion. On Nov. 6th the ladies catered for the Social Crediters' Banquet.

Mrs. George Harrison kindly had both the Evening Sewing Meetings in her home. At the first of these Miss Napier, the W.A. Missionary in Youth Work gave an interesting talk on her work in the dioceses of Edmonton, Qu'Appelle and Saskatchewan. Miss Napier talked to the J.A.'s in the afternoon, to a joint meeting of the W.A. and Evening Group at Mrs. Harrison's in the evening, and next day a G.A. group was formed under her auspices. Miss K. Barker is to be the leader of the new group.

On Oct. 26th the much postponed Sunday School Picnic was finally held in

EMMANUEL, GIBBONS

The W.A. held their regular meeting Wednesday, Nov. 7th at the home of Mrs. Keith Gibbons. The President, Mrs. Dawson was not present due to illness, there was a good attendance. Arrangements were made to hold the Annual Bazaar and sale of home cooking on Saturday, Dec. 2nd in the Community Hall, a light lunch will also be served.

The vestry have also been in session again, to organize for the Every Member Canvass. They also made the decision to hold their Annual event, a pancake supper on Friday, Dec. 7th. A committee of three Messrs. Theo. Gibbons, Earl Toane and Roy Wearmouth were appointed to make all necessary arrangements with power to command the services of any male member for this entertainment is strictly a man's job. This event is looked forward to by the community at large, and it is hoped will prove as successful as those in the past.

The talks that our Rector has been giving, in lieu of a sermon, to the candidates for confirmation have been most edifying to the older members of the congregation and have proved a much needed refresher course.

We are looking forward to the visit of the Archbishop on Sunday, Dec. 2nd to take the service of Confirmation. We appreciate the invitation of our Bon Accord friends to participate in the reception to be held in honor of the Archbishop and those confirmed by him, following the service at Gibbons.

the Parish Hall. It took the form of a Hallowe'en Party and was greatly enjoyed by the children.

We were glad to see Miss Lilian Gould at church while visiting her father. We extend to her our good wishes for a full recovery from her recent illness.

At the second Sewing Meeting at Mrs. Harrison's a presentation was to be made to Mrs. Botrakoff who is leaving here to live in Prince Rupert. However Mrs. Botrakoff was away and the presentation was made later at the Rectory. Mrs. Botrakoff who has always been a most willing worker in the W.A. will be greatly missed. We shall all miss, too, her daughters who have been regular members of our Junior Choir on Sunday mornings.

So far the J.A.'s seem greatly interested in their new Study Book on India. Their attendance at the weekly meetings has been good. They have finished a couple of Scrap Books for the Camsell Hospital and are now busily engaged in making small articles for their stall at the W.A. Bazaar. Their beautifully decorated candy boxes filled with home-made candy are always a joyful feature of the Bazaar. This year they are to be in charge of a Fish Pond too.

The monthly meeting of the Evening W.A. was held at Mrs. McIntyre's. 11

members were present. Arrangements were made for the Tea and Bazaar, Mrs. Rooome to be in charge of the Tea, and Mrs. McIntyre and Mrs. Field to look after the Evening Group's Sewing table.

Mrs. F. Gold offered to convene the supper to be held at the Masonic Hall on Nov. 17th.

The Little Helpers' Rally was held on Sept. 23rd and in spite of bad weather it was attended by 16 children and 14 adults. The Rev. W. H. Buchner conducted the service where the children presented their mite boxes at a small altar. Later games were played in the Parish Hall, after which a beautiful birthday cake made by Mrs. Mahon, and other refreshments were served. After tea the Rev. W. H. Buchner showed the children some films. The amount collected from the mite boxes was \$10.25.

Father Lockyer, one of the Cowley Fathers of Bracebridge, Ontario, recently spent three days with our clergy here.



ST. FAITH'S MISSION

Baptisms—Edwin LeRoy Osborne, Hinton; William John Osborne Jr., Hinton; Patricia Gail Hutchinson, Edson; Donald Gordon Mattice, Evansburgh; Donald William Lamoureux, Evansburgh.

Marriage—Edward Aime Auriat and Sena Gertrude Beck, Wolf Creek.

Funeral—William Osborne Sr. of Hinton, at Edson.



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ST. CATHERINE'S

The Girls' Auxiliary Group of St. Catherine's has re-organized this fall. The first meeting was held Nov. 1st. The following officers were elected: President, Leiges Dahins; Vice President, Merilyn Hill; Social Convener, Annie Kulyk; Treasurer, Mary Hawrysh; Secretary, Gwynne Gregg.

We are hoping to have a most successful year.



ST. MARY & ST. GEORGE, JASPER

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

One item of interest was omitted from the last Parish notes, and that was, the Dedication of the new Sanctuary Basin, two sets of Altar vases and a set of White Book Markers, on the occasion of Canon Wolff's visit, on St. Luke's Day at 7:15 a.m.

The response to Youth Sunday was very gratifying. There were twenty at the 8:30 a.m. Service, most of whom stayed for breakfast at the Astoria Hotel afterwards. It is hoped we can have a repeat on this event. There was also a large number present for the Family Service at 11:00 a.m., when the Choir was augmented with several Junior members.

Miss Phyllis Napier paid a visit to the Parish on Oct. 22nd and 23rd, addressing the J.W.A. and also the E.B.W.A. We were glad to have her with us. The Cub Pack has re-assembled for several weeks now, under the Leadership of Mr. Stan Curry, assisted by Messrs. J. Everett and Styles, the latter a newcomer to the parish. The Little Helper's Annual Service and Rally had to be postponed, owing to a Scarlet Fever scare, and is being held as these notes go to press.

In the absence of the United Minister, the Incumbent has been called upon to hold several funerals and other offices during the past month, and several members of that Communion have been attending the Sunday evening services. We are glad to be able to help them out at this time.

A record number seemed to attend the Remembrance Day Services held in the Church of St. Mary and St. George. The Altar was ablaze with Fall flowers, some of which were in memory of Pat Langford. The United Church choir joined with us for the occasion making a very effective combination.

The following day, the Remembrance Day holiday, the Guild served a wonderful Turkey supper to some 300 persons. They are to be congratulated on this undertaking, which proved both socially and financially successful. The Guild's Bridge tournament is pursuing its regular course and is due to wind up some time in January.

The E.B.W.A. are working hard towards their Bazaar on Dec. 1st . . . It will again be held at the Astoria Hotel.

This group and the J.W.A. will be holding St. Andrew's-tide services. At the time of writing the Vestry is busily occupied with the Every Member Visitation and Canvass, which it is hoped will be as successful as last year. In the meantime, preparations are slowly taking form for the great festival of Christmas and by the time this issue appears will be ready for presentation.

The Christmas Program this year will start with the Sunday School Christmas Tree on Friday, Dec. 21st. The Annual Carol Service will be held on Sunday, Dec. 23rd at 7:30 p.m., with the Christmas Family Service at 11:00 a.m. that same day. The usual Midnight Choral Eucharist will be on Dec. 24th at 11:30 p.m., with Holy Communion on Christmas Day at 11:30 a.m. To all these services a warm invitation is extended to our parishioners and their neighbors.



ST. MARY'S, BARRHEAD

The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

The regular meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. B. B. Hanson on Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 7th. The Hospital Visitors, Mrs. G. Slaughter and Mrs. G. Thompson, reported they had made six visits to the hospital. Mrs. Slaughter and Mrs. MacKenzie volunteered to do the visiting for the next month.

The date of the annual Bazaar, Sale of Home Cooking and Tea has had to be changed from Nov. 17th to Dec. 8th, as this is the first Saturday that the United Church Hall is available. We had hoped to be able to hold the bazaar in our own Hall, but the bad weather has delayed work on the building and we could not be certain that it would be ready.

The President reminded members that the St. Andrew's Day Service will be held in the Church on Friday, Nov. 30th at 3:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. Barraclough on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 5th.

On Sunday, Nov. 11th, a Service of Remembrance for those who gave their lives in the two World Wars was incorporated with the Service of Holy Communion at 11:00 a.m. The service opened with the singing of O'Canada after which Lawrence Hintz and Alan MacKenzie carried a wreath of poppies on behalf of the Sunday School, to the Vicar, who, after reading the inscription, placed it at the base of the altar. Following this the two minutes silence was observed and the special Remembrance Hymn "O, Valiant Hearts," was sung. Special prayers were said by the Vicar and his sermon was most suitable for the occasion. The next day, Nov. 12th, a united Service of Remembrance was held in the school auditorium at which our Vicar, who is the Padre for the local

branch of the Canadian Legion, gave the address. Later, at the War Memorial, amongst the army wreaths laid, was the one from our Sunday School, placed by Loraine Robinson and Florence Sommerfield, also one from the W.A. placed by the President. Thus did we of St. Mary's Church pay honour to those who died for us and showed that we still remember them.

Burials—On Oct. 22nd, Caroline Diane Ledger, in Belvedere Cemetery. On Nov. 3rd, James Peter Madson, in Willow Wild Cemetery.

Holy Matrimony—On Oct. 27th, Michael Wowk Lawton, to Sophie Majorow, Topland, Alta. On Nov. 10th, John Rauscher, Vega, Alta. to Dorothy Annie Caroline Carnegie, Shoal Creek, Alta.



ST. PHILIP'S, WESTLOCK

St. Philip's Ladies Guild held a very successful Bazaar and Tea in the Parish Hall on Saturday, Nov. 3rd. Net proceeds were in the neighborhood of \$125.00. The new gas heater which the Ladies Guild had installed in the Hall is proving very satisfactory. Our thanks to Mr. M. Lajoris of Westlock Electric for furnishing the new heater at cost price. Now the Ladies have contacted the People's Warden, Mr. J. W. Cowley, and asked that he proceed with plans for the installation of gas in the Church at the expense of the Ladies Guild. Mrs. C. C. Curlett, Supt. of the Sunday

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School, has informed us that there will be on opening day for the Sunday School in the Parish Hall on Nov. 18th. The parents and friends of the Sunday School are invited to be present. Individual donations to the Sunday School for new equipment and supplies have amounted to \$60.00.

Baptisms—On Nov. 11th, in St. Luke's Church, Clyde, Jim Fry and Carol Victoria Fry.



CHRIST CHURCH, JARVIE

On Tuesday, Nov. 6th, Christ Church W.A., Jarvie held their annual Fall Bazaar and Whist Drive which was quite successful. Total receipts for the day amounted to \$172.95. Money raised for the Altar Fund by Mrs. O. Plant amounted to \$11.90. Although, our membership is small, yet we are more than pleased with the results of this Bazaar, and our thanks to all who helped and patronized us to make this one of the best events we have had for a long time. We were also very pleased that our Vicar, Rev. D. V. A. Browne, was present with us in the afternoon but found it necessary to make the long trek back to Barrhead to attend a Legion meeting at which plans were being discussed for the coming 11th. Nov. Services, however, he was able to contact most of our scattered families in the afternoon.

Rural Deanery of Vermilion

ST. JOHNS, KITSOTY

On Nov. 4th we were favoured with a visit from Miss Harrold of Lloydminster. She gave a most interesting address on "Remembrance" and all enjoyed it very much. On Saturday, Nov. 3rd the Church was the scene of a wedding. Miss Doreen Elsie Potter became the bride of Mr. Kenneth Stewart Jenkins. All wish both bride and groom the best of everything.



ST. MARY'S, CLANDONALD

St. Mary's Church, Clandonald was filled to capacity for the Harvest Festival. The singing of the beautiful harvest hymns was a joy to hear and made ones heart swell with Thanksgiving for the great privilege and blessing of being able to gather and celebrate thankfulness to God without fear for our property and our lives. May we say again "Thanks be to God!" A very sincere "Thank you" to those who, contributed of their harvest for decorating the church, also to those who did the arranging of the grains,

ONOWAY AND WABAMUN MISSIONS

We have had Harvest Thanksgiving Services at Onoway, Duffield, Wabamun, Seba, Lac La Nonne and Sion.

The vegetables and other token offerings have mostly been sent to St. John's House and Sister Anna has written a most appreciative letter of thanks. There was quite a lot altogether and Mr. Dales kindly took it to the city.

On Oct. 21st Mrs. Kettle (Sen.) was presented with a life membership pin of the W.A. The presentation was made at the morning service by Mrs. Tackaberry after the pin had been blessed at the Altar. Mrs. Tackaberry was accompanied by Mrs. Garton, Mrs. Horn, Mrs. Maintment and Mrs. Delarochue. The ladies from Edmonton and others from the parish were entertained to lunch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dales.

An oil heater has been installed in the church at Onoway in place of the old wood burner which has done service for so many years.

Preparations for the Annual Canvass have been made. We have to extend the time since most of our people who attend the Onoway church live at a distance.

At Wabamun a well has been dug in the Vicarage grounds. The yard is still strewn with pieces of lumber left by the wrecking crew and a gaping hole where the furnace still is.

Two of the old folks are in hospital—Mr. and Mrs. McMillan.

fruits, and vegetables not forgetting the flowers and the loaf of bread on the Altar!

Again on Nov. 11th our church was decorated with Union Jack and bunting, with Poppys on the Altar in beloved remembrance of those boys who gave of their blood and life that we might live and worship in freedom. Again—Thanks be to God! Rev. Cathcart's message led us to feel we dare not fail these comrades, we too must fight, for Christianity, to the end!

As our Editor has said in the Nov. issue of The Churchman—"Are two brief moments enough for us to give? More is surely demanded—a pledge of loyalty to the fallen, and a solemn dedication to the Prince of Peace!"

Our W.A. has suffered grievously this past summer. Two of our beloved members Mrs. Cliff Stockwell and Mrs. Eddie Stockwell were called to higher duties, leaving a great emptiness behind: Three more members have moved away, leaving us very short of workers. At present we W.A. members are preparing for our Annual Fall Tea and Sale of Work which is to be on Dec. 1st.

Our branch is invited to Irwinville for St. Andrew's Day worship.

And finally a very belated message to

our beloved Primate and Mrs. Barfoot—Congratulations!—Our Prayers for your Health and Guidance for what lies ahead in this greatest of all work! God Bless you both!



ST. MARY THE VIRGIN VEGREVILLE

Rev. A. P. Venables

The Parish has lost part of its familiar furniture, in the form of a 1931 Chev. replaced by a more modern vintage, in which the Vicar hopes to be less of a menace to the public, and to himself.

Nine members were present at the last meeting of the W.A. held at the home of Mrs. Willan, at which plans were laid for the fall bazaar to be held on Dec. 8th in the basement of the United Church. President, Mrs. Willan will be receiving guests. The ladies of the W.A. are very sorry to say farewell to Mrs. Purcell, and we all join in thanking her for her contribution to the work of the organization.

At a party held recently at the home of Mrs. Mast we also regretfully said farewell to Mrs. A. W. Fraser, life mem-

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ber of the W.A. and a most faithful and loyal worker here for many years. Our Prayers and good wishes follow her as she heads towards the sunny south!

Mrs. M. B. Walker has recently accepted a post of leadership with the Guides of Vegreville.



ST. ALBAN'S, CHAILEY

Due to a bounteous and late harvest our church notes have been badly neglected, the harvest seeming to take first place, but we are very thankful for such a good harvest and the weather has been more favorable in our district than anywhere in Alberta, so giving us opportunity to gather most of it in for that too we are extremely thankful.

Our church activities have been going on regardless. Harvest Thanksgiving service was held on Sept. 30th with a full church. Rev. R. Clennett conducted the service. The church was well decorated with vegetables which Rev. Clennett took to the Elizabeth House in Edmonton. On Oct. 17th, Holy Communion was conducted by Canon Teape of Vermilion on Oct. 21st Rev. Clennett held a childrens service, this service was enjoyed by the old as well as the young. On Nov. 4th we again had holy communion conducted by Canon Teape assisted by the Rev. Clennett, our next service will be Evensong on Nov. 18th.

W.A.—Due to our usual lack of attendance in the fall months our Sept. and Oct. meetings were held in the evening instead of our usual afternoon meetings, resulting in a very good attendance at both. A Christmas parcel was sent to the Rev. S. and Mrs. Bell and we had word that same had been received. Another parcel was sent to our associate member in England for Christmas, most of the articles were donated by members the balance from the funds; this has also been received. We planned to have a sale of Home Cooking in town but again the ladies were too busy so it was put off indefinitely.

Our Nov. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Ted Cornish with a good turn out, the Rev. Clennett also attended, we were very pleased to have him, calendars were distributed which were ordered earlier. We made plans to have a card party in our local school on Nov. 23rd. Our next meeting will be held at Mrs. Scotts on Nov. 30th, including St. Andrew's Day. Also our Annual meeting.

Chailey was very sorry to hear of the sudden death of Mr. W. H. Hollyoake on Oct. 7th, who lived in Chailey for 20 years, and who left last Oct. 26th, to make his home in Riding Mountain, Manitoba. Mr. Hollyoake took an active part in the church in Chailey, he was Peoples Warden for the last few years prior to leaving the district. A belated but deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Hollyoake and boys at Dauphin, Manitoba and to Mrs. Ted Cornish of Chailey.

ST. MARK'S, BLACKFOOT

Owing to Rev. Peckover having to go elsewhere to take a "Thanksgiving" Service, Miss Harrold (Bishop's Messenger of Lloydminster) took the Service Nov. 4th and gave a talk on the Saints which was much appreciated.

The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Robison on Nov. 1st with 4 members and 1 visitor present. A report on the bazaar of Oct. 24th was given. It was very successful and we wish to thank all who donated and helped in any way.



ST. GEORGES, MARWAYNE

We were glad to hear the announcement of the safe return of Archbishop Barfoot from Korea and hope that joint Crusade will accomplish the ideals aimed at by those taking part.

The W.A. were well represented at the meeting held in the United Church when Miss Gladys Satouch, B.A. Native of Trinidad gave a lantern lecture to a full congregation representative of many points outside. This young lady, a fluent speaker described life, customs and the need for more missionaries in her native land, referring to their own origin in India, being dressed in native costume added to the colourful slides shown. Sponsored by the Ash M.S. it brought to light much of the unity existing in our overseas mission fields and gave a sense of working together for the same object "The coming of Christ's Kingdom to all men, but why oh why do we have to fight under different banners!"

After completion of her educational training in Canada, now taking Nursing Course at Saskatoon, Miss Satouch hopes to return home as a Medical Missionary.

The inside of St. Georges has something of a "New Look" every Sunday, soon all these odd jobs will be finished and the whole edifice will take on its proper role as God's House.

Remembrance Day Services were held at the Christian Alliance Tabernacle at 10:30 a.m. Rev. R. C. Cathcart conducted the service, reading very feelingly after the two minutes silence. The 12 names of those from this district who paid the Supreme Sacrifice in Two World Wars.

Rev. M. Willowby C.A. gave a well thought out address, which was appreciated by the full congregation representing all Churches and surrounding districts. Rev. Sneddon of the United Church was conducting a similar service at Dewberry at the same time.



ST. MATTHEW'S, ASHMONT

The Rev. L. S. Thurston

Since the last issue of the Churchman services have been carried on throughout the mission with the exception of one

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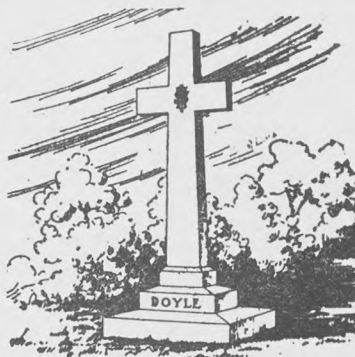
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cancellation due to road repair and another service was cancelled when our rector was away in Winnipeg.

It now looks as though winter has set in for at least the next six months so we are again settling down to our usual round of things.

The regular meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. D. Woodlock this week. In the absence of our President, Mrs. Harris who has gone to California for the winter Mrs. Woodlock presided after which she served lunch. The date of our tea and sale of work has been set for December 8th.

The Boy Scouts have again begun their activities under the leadership of our rector. We thank Mr. Pendle the Station Agent for helping the boys with Morse Code. We are using the school auditorium this year as the centre of our activities and we hope the influence of the Scouts will be felt throughout the school.

The church had its annual Remembrance Day Service on Nov. 11th in the church. This service had to be changed to the time of 7:30 p.m. The evening was blustery but a few still came to church regardless. After the service a tea hour was held in the rectory.

We are glad to see Miss K. Sands home again after her stay in hospital. Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. C. Ashdown who are the proud parents of a baby girl.

By all accounts we hear that Mrs. Thurston enjoyed her holiday in Winnipeg. During her absence we wish to thank Mrs. Whitman for playing the organ at the service.



BEAVER RIVER SCHOOL

One service was cancelled this month to the Beaver because of road construction between Ashmont and St. Lina.

We are going to continue services in the school during the winter months as long as road and weather conditions permit.

We miss having Sid Midwinter at our services as he is away attending the Vermilion School of Agriculture.

We hear that Cecil Griffith has gone to the coast to look for greener pastures and we hope that his stay will be prosperous but that he shall return to the farm by spring.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, RIFE

One service had to be cancelled at this point due to our rector being away in Winnipeg for the St. John's College Convocation.

In an endeavour to get the church warm for services we are purchasing coal so that the fire can be lit on a Saturday.

We hope that now the busy time is over the number attending our services will increase.

Congratulations are the order of the day for Mr. and Mrs. Martinell of Glendon upon the arrival of a baby daughter.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Leech is sick again and hope that he may have a speedy recovery.



ST. PAUL

Communion services are being held once a month in the United Church in St. Paul.

At the Remembrance Day Service held in the theatre on Nov. 11th our rector was one of the speakers. A luncheon was held in the Legion Hall after this service.



CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

Evensong has been held regularly each Sunday with Rev. Clennett officiating. Holy Communion was partaken of on Nov. 4th the celebrant being Canon Teape. Members of the Sunday School were in the congregation for part of this service.

The Vestry met for the regular monthly meeting at the home of C. W. Hamilton with nine present. The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer. After the regular monthly business was taken care of final plans were made for the Amateur Hour dated for Nov. 16th which was duly held and which was a real success. The hall was filled to capacity. The contestants performed remarkably well. Thanks are due to each one. We also take this opportunity to thank the entertainers who took part between the contestants, the M.C. those who prepared the hall and took charge of the door and any who helped in any way.

Sunday School is held regularly each Sunday.

With the W.A.: The Nov. meeting of the W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Holden with 14 present. The meeting opened with the Litany which was led by Mrs. Pederson. This was followed by the Member's prayer. The monthly business was taken care of after which plans were made for the Annual Bazaar to be held on Saturday, Dec. 1st in the Parish Hall. The bazaar articles are to be priced after the St. Andrew's Day Service also the decorating of the hall and preparation of the tables for the sale of tea the following day.

The choir meets each Wednesday for practice. The choir joined with the United choir for the Armistice Service on Nov. 12th. They sang in anthem form "For all the Saints" which was well rendered.

The last Bible Study was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton. After an hours' study a pleasant social hour was spent over a cup of tea. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Pederson.



ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

The writer of this column is not sure whether the recent activity on the part of the King Edward congregation has been reported or not. Just in case it has not—here goes. In the region of mid-summer the men of the King Edward district got together and, having first raised the church building they then laid a new cement foundation under the structure. After that they obtained the services of a professional man and had the walls and the tower of the church stuccoed. The finished job makes a vast improvement in both the appearance and the warmth of the building. The present plan is to have a final coat of stucco administered in 1952. What is especially heartening is the fact that the entire cost of these renovations were borne by the W.A. of Christ Church, King Edward.

Before we leave King Edward mention must be made of their recent chicken supper. On the night of Wednesday, Nov. 14th, the ladies of the King Edward W.A. put on a chicken supper in the St. Saviour's Parish Hall assisted by some of the young people and some of the W.A. ladies of the Vermilion Church. It was a decided success. 244 people were served and the profits are in excess of \$220.

Pleasant Valley has also figured in the news of late and excellent publicity was secured through the local columns of the Vermilion Standard. A Parish Meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gould on the night of Nov. 5th. The Rector was in the chair with Messrs. Buckingham, Pockett, and Watts

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as representatives of the Vermilion Vestry, and a good number of the Pleasant Valley folks. There was nothing dull about the meeting. A thorough examination was made of the activities and the finances of the parish. It was decided to form a local Vestry and those elected to it were: Mrs. Maire, Mrs. Sherwood and Messrs. Playne, Sherwood, Bert Gould and Clarke. Another decision was to hold services during the winter whenever possible in the homes of the parishioners, the first one to be at Mrs. Giles' home. On Nov. 12th and 13th Mr. Buckingham made a financial canvass of the neighborhood which produced excellent results. He was greatly assisted in this effort by Gordon Gould and Christie Clarke. Perhaps we should add as a sort of postscript the fact that the Christmas services will be held at Tom Sherwood's home on the Thursday, and at Bert Gould's place on the Friday after Christmas, both services to start at 3:00 p.m.

Two excellent services have also been held at Basswood School, the first of which took the form of a Harvest Thanksgiving Service, and the second being on Nov. 11th naturally took the form of a service in memory of those who gave their lives in the Two Great Wars. The happy atmosphere and the hearty way in which everyone joins in the service makes one wish that these occasions might be a regular feature of life in this community.

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

ST. THOMAS, WAINWRIGHT

Remembrance Day services were well attended. At the morning service the church was filled to capacity, many Legion members and Army personnel were present. The choir sang special music during the day. Two veterans read the lessons.

The Junior Girls are off to a fine start, an excellent group is forming. Mrs. Dot Sutherland was forced to resign her leadership this year owing to home duties. We thank Dot for her fine effort as leader for the past three years. Mrs. G. M. Ascah and Mrs. Walters have taken over as leaders.

The St. Thomas Choir held a successful party in the parish hall, about 60 young people were out and enjoyed the evening of good fellowship. Many thanks to those who arranged the program. The choir is busy preparing Christmas music and they will lead again this year at the Carol service.

The St. Thomas W.A. Fall Bazaar was one of the most successful ever held in the hall. The goods displayed were practically all sold. The Park Branch assisted and the W.A.'s are to be congratulated upon such outstanding work for the parish. We were very happy to have Canon and Mrs. Teape and their family, together with Mr. and Mrs. King of Vermilion with us for tea during the afternoon.

The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. in Vermilion entertained the Happy Hour Branch of the W.A. at a Social Evening on Nov. 2nd. Husbands, of course, were included in the invitations. A pot-pourri of entertainment fare was provided—whist, games, square dances, community singing and last but not least a real melodrama. Bob Hope, Humphrey Bogart, Betty Gable, Irene Dunne, etc., etc., were simply not in the same class as our parochial players. What we want to know is, why has all this dramatic talent been hiding its light under a bushel all this time? Anyway, it was a grand evening, and loud were the demands for an encore.

The Afternoon Branch of the W.A. gave \$500.00 and the Happy Hour Group gave \$600.00 to the Vestry to help them to retire the \$2,000.00 debt on the Parish Hall. The Vestry appreciates to the full the really wonderful help that it receives in financial matters from the two branches of the W.A. year by year.

It was very pleasant to receive a letter from Mrs. Harriet Barwick with a donation enclosed. If she should ever return to the parish she may be sure of a warm welcome from her many friends.

The flowers on the altar on Nov. 18th were sent by Mrs. Bessie Hudson in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Pilkie.

Confirmation classes are under way, we have a good group of young people attending the instruction.

The visit of the Rev. G. A. Ruskell was a highlight of the month. Mr. Ruskell was greeted with full churches at both services. He brought before us the need for men and money in the work of our Church in the Arctic.

Burials—Mary Charlefoxf, Robert Myer.

Baptisms—Janet Rathwell, Charles Hutchison, John, Gordon and Muriel Clark.

Marriages—John Altin, Edna Hayes.



ST. MARY'S, IRMA

The Layman's Missionary Appeal met with a fine response among our people. Congregations are much better with some of our families living in town for the winter. The visit of the Rev. G. A. Ruskell drew a capacity congregation, his address gave the stimulus we needed in our thinking about the missionary effort of the Anglican Church in the Arctic. During the service the infant daughter of Ross and Ethel McFarland was baptized and given the name Karen Lynn. We see Mr. Thurston Snr, sporting a

new car, we pray that both he and Mrs. Thurston will enjoy their retirement from active farming, and we are glad that they are not going away from the parish.



RODINO

The friends and neighbors of Miss Betty Daniel, (now Mrs. G. Hopfe), wish her every happiness in the future. A tea was held in her honor at Rodino School.

The Oct. W.A. meeting was postponed, but held on Oct. 30th at the home of Mrs. A. Beckett. Preparations are being made for all the seasonal gatherings.

The ladies of the W.A. catered at the Auction Sale of Mr. F. Juett on Nov. 12th. Though we have an abundance of snow, there was a good attendance.

The Nov. W.A. meeting was held one week in advance to allow for last-minute alterations in readiness for the Frolic being held Nov. 17th in Rodino Hall. This meeting was held at the Home of Mrs. F. Nash.

It has been a pleasure to hear that the Most Rev. Walter Barfoot has had a safe trip to visit our men in Korea.

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EDGERTON AND DISTRICT

Harvest Thanksgiving services at Battle Valley, Dolcy and McCafferty were well attended in each case in spite of lots of mud on the Sunday of Battle Valley's Thanksgiving and a heavy snowstorm when we gave thanks at Dolcy and McCafferty.

St. Mary's vestry made plans for this year's Every Member Canvass at their meeting of this month. The canvass will be completed by the end of Nov.

A successful evening of crib and bingo, sponsored by the Vestry and held in the Memorial Hall, took place on Nov. 7th the W.A. served lunch and organised competitions.

Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

CAMROSE

Harvest Festival Services have been somewhat overshadowed this year by the uncertainty of bringing in the sheaves, but we have had much to thank God for nonetheless. The Rev. E. J. Heuer of the Bible Society was our Thanksgiving preacher at St. Andrew's. Also on this occasion were baptized Brian Russell Burrows and Evelyne Jean Hoyme. Other recent baptisms were those of Dorothy Norma Bjorge, Gwendolyn Joan Blades, Gladys Marie Foss, John Philip Goetz, Brian Dale Lindstrand and Donald Robert Neave. On Nov. 10th St. Andrew's Church was the scene of the wedding of David Baker and Elsie Jones. On Nov. 3rd the church was filled with those who came to pay their respects at the funeral of Ervin McNary. On Nov. 11th over 100 parishioners participated in our Remembrance Day service.

It was good to have our former parishioners, Dr. and Mrs. Ness of Creston, B.C., back with us for a brief visit. New parishioners whom we welcome are Mr. and Mrs. C. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Greg. Berry, from Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Clarke and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Frankish, from Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. R. Fullerton, from Montreal.

Mr. J. H. Hare, the Rector's Warden, put his holiday in Ontario to good account when he came across an old Pipe Organ which St. Andrew's has been able to purchase very cheaply. We hope to have it installed in good time for Christmas.

The children of the parish, and a few of their friends, are busy rehearsing an operetta "The Magic Beanstalk" to be presented before Christmas. The directors are Mrs. Goddard and Mrs. C. McGill, with Mrs. Richard Fullerton as accompanist.

At last the leaky church tower roof has been fixed. Messrs. T. Withnell and R. P. Harkness spent a day on the job and did one that will last. Now we shall be able to do something about the dilapidated state of the sanctuary.

A happy Christmas to all readers of the Churchman, with a special thought to former parishioners now living elsewhere. Our prayer is that all of us will do our Christian duty before everything else at the time of our Lord's Nativity.

Marriages—Frederick Harry Leskow and Nina Dorothy Sawyer, on Nov. 9th.

Gerald Elwin Tennant and Shirley Mae mills, on Nov. 16th.

Holy Baptism—Donald Frederick Forrester, on Nov. 4th.

SEDGEWICK

The Confirmation Class of ten candidates are now nearing the end of their course of instruction. They are looking forward to, and are quite thrilled by, the thought that they may be confirmed by the Primate of all Canada.

On Sept. 23rd, a well-filled church took part in a bright Harvest Festival Service. The decorations were most effective, and reflected the artistic taste of the ladies responsible for it. To the farmers and townfolk, who so kindly co-operated, we are deeply grateful.

The ladies of the W.A. have been working very hard of late preparing for their Bazaar to be held on Nov. 17th. It is to be hoped that their efforts will be crowned with success, both socially and financially.

The W.A. held a meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 6th at the home of Mrs. W. Rose, where the final arrangements for the Bazaar were made. They have very kindly agreed to be responsible for the lunch at the "All the Parish" Social Evening on Wednesday, Nov. 21st in the Parish Hall, the arrangements for which were also discussed. It was decided to ask the ladies from the other three points to contribute to the lunch. Business being concluded, a very enjoyable tea was served.

At a Vestry Meeting held in the Rectory on Tuesday, Nov. 6th, arrangements were made for the Every Member Canvass. It was also decided to replace the wire screens of the Rectory verandah with glass, this work to be left in the capable hands of Mr. Geo. Tanton Senr. and Mr. Hughes. Good progress with this project has already been made.

On Friday, Oct. 26th at 3:00 p.m. a Special Service for Little Helpers was held, mothers accompanying their children. Suitable hymns were sung with evident enjoyment to the accompaniment of Miss Edith Ward. All showed great interest in the story related by the Rector. While the Service was in progress, ladies interested in the Little Helpers were preparing tea in the Church Hall,

where a very happy party took place following the Service. Mrs. Betty Galletly, the Secretary of the Little Helpers and several other ladies were untiring in their efforts to give the children a good time.



KILLAM

The Confirmation Class is making good progress and attending very regularly, bad weather being no deterrent.

The proposed Sunday School is now in being, a source of much satisfaction to all concerned. Fifteen scholars have been enrolled, and it is hoped that this number will steadily increase, under the efficient superintendence of Mrs. Chevrax and the able assistance of Mrs. C. T. Dickson, Mrs. Reeve and Mrs. Jacob.

The Harvest Festival was held on Sept. 30th. The church was most attractively decorated with grain and the fruits of the earth, the sudden frost having killed all the flowers. An outstanding feature of the Service was the proud presentation of vegetables, grown by each Little Helper, under the motherly guidance of Mrs. McLachlin, who had provided them with the necessary seeds, and who is responsible for this very important branch of the Church's work.

W.A.—A very successful meeting was held at the home of the President, Mrs. C. T. Dickson on Thursday, Oct. 11th. In one item of the business, the ladies expressed their willingness to provide cassocks and surplices for a choir when one was formed and had become operative. An enjoyable tea was served at the conclusion of the business.

A good attendance of ladies held another meeting on Thursday, Nov. 8th at the home of Mrs. Mallett. Their business consisted mainly in the making of arrangements for a Bazaar to be held on Nov. 24th.

The ladies readily agreed to be responsible for part of the cost of glassing the Rectory verandah.

St. George's Church has lost a good friend and willing helper by the death of Mrs. Percy Windover on Nov. 5th. A lady of great nobility of character and sweetness of disposition, her loss is keenly felt by the whole community of Killam. To her husband and family we offer our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

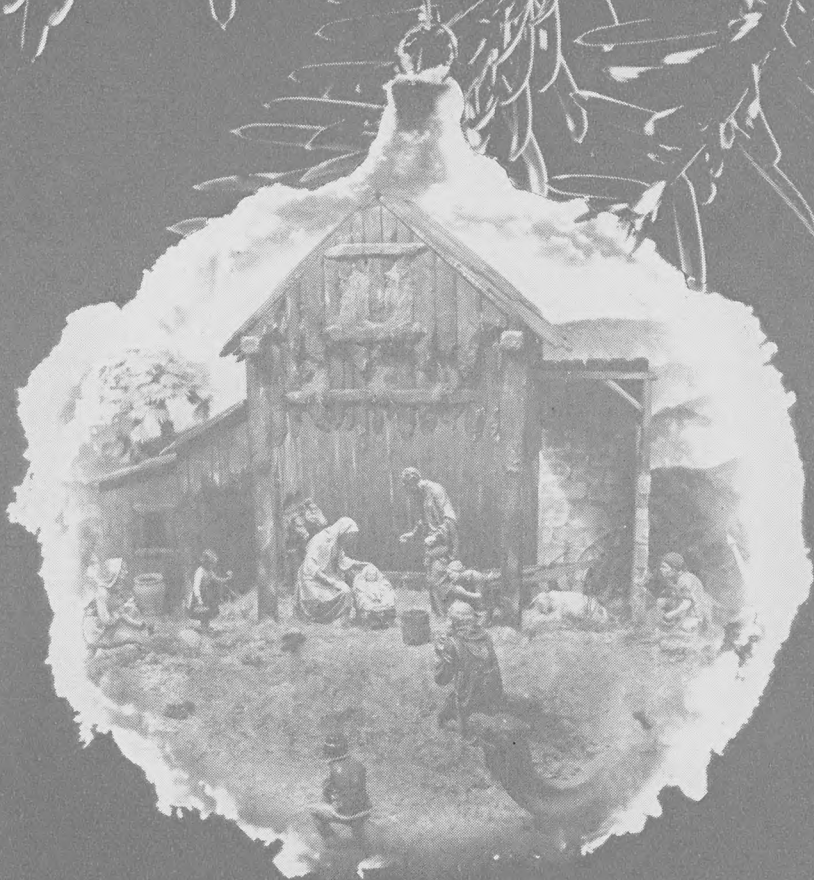
Holy Baptism—Barbara Phyllis Smith, Nov. 14th.

Holy Matrimony—Gordon Peter Dammann and Shirley Pauline Brodie on Nov. 1st.

Burial—Mrs. P. Windover, Nov. 7th.



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*. . . . that God so loved the World that He gave His Son
to redeem mankind.*

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SCHOOL LIFE AT BISHOP'S, AMMAN, JORDAN

WE, IN THE CANADIAN CHURCH, are glad to have a share in the fine work being done at The Bishop's School, Amman, Jordan—our one point of particular interest and assistance in the Holy Land. Of about 210 boys in this School, sixty are Muslims, among them twenty Circassians, and the remainder are Christians. A recent building programme has given additional accommodation badly needed for efficient operation.



The Football team with the 1950 inter-school cup—sports play an important part in the building of character. In spite of the mixture of races "school life is friendly and keen," writes Mr. C. H. C. Sharp, the principal. For example, the boy at left and the one in the foreground are pure Circassian. The master is Lebanese and the boy peering over his shoulder is Assyrian. The one with the wrist watch is half Bedouin.

Life at the School is not all study and games—useful handicrafts are learned also gardening. "The smallest boys work most peacefully round their (new) garden court, with thoroughly good organization evident."



This School and the Christian Community in Muslim Amman need our interest and our prayers. Only about one-tenth of the population is Christian.

The new classroom block, similar to picture, "delights the boys with its range of attractive class rooms, a new day boys' changing room, and a boarders' common room, with passageways which mean that control and time signals now extend through the whole School."



BUILDING INDIAN HEALTH AND CHARACTER ---

THE BUILDING OF HEALTH AND CHARACTER has always been of primary importance in our Indian Residential Schools, and sports have played an important part. Nearly all the schools (13) have teams of some sort—soft ball, hockey, hard ball or boxing, as well as such organizations as Scouts, Guides, Brownies, Cubs, Cadets or Air Cadets. Last winter a Blood School lad won the Alberta-Saskatchewan boxing title for his class. Not only is recreation provided through these activities, but health is improved, good sportsmanship developed and the boys learn to pull together for the good of the whole—a valuable attainment for these or any days.

Now the government department for Indian Affairs has a long-range programme to encourage athletics among the Canadian Indians. These activities combined with the academic, practical and spiritual training re-

ceived in the schools should produce many fine young men and women who can take their places in the world today and bring honour to their own people and to Canada.

M.S.C.C. and W.A. missionaries in the schools and on the reserves have great opportunities to help in the building of these young people into healthy, useful citizens and loyal members of our Church.

The Sioux Lookout School's bantam team of Black Hawks, shown below, is one of the best among the fifteen or twenty all-Indian hockey teams in Canada. They have a reputation at the head of the lakes for fast, clean, clever work on the ice. In the 1949-50 season they captured the Thunder Bay District championship. This club was formed in 1948 of boys who had neither skated nor handled a hockey stick.



NATIONAL FILM BOARD, OTTAWA.

Bishop Jefferson of Ottawa welcomes the Sioux Lookout Black Hawks. As part of the government's sports programme this team was given a week-end in the Capital as a reward for its outstanding play. Two exhibition games were played in Ottawa and one in Toronto. In each case the impression was left of clean sportsmanship and good manners. At the left is the Rev. J. S. Wilson, Principal of Sioux Lookout Residential School.

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER AND SERVICE

For the Church of Christ Around the World

We appeal to all Church Members to use these Prayer Topics daily.

Sunday—South America

Let us give thanks for the opportunity of learning about the Church in South America as provided in our Book of the Year—"Looking South".

For the enthusiasm and initiative of the Christian youth leaders of South America as shown in the founding and growth of the Latin American Union of Evangelical Youth.

Let us pray that through the printed word of God many South American people may be brought to the acknowledgement of Christ as Saviour and Lord.

For God's blessing upon the Theological College in Brazil which is part of the Episcopal (Anglican) Church of the United States.

Monday—Canada

Let us give thanks for all missionary dioceses and individual parishes which are making a sustained effort to become self-supporting and so lighten the load upon the whole Church.

For the greater number of our young people who are giving themselves to the service of Christ and His Church.

Let us pray that the Every Member Visitation and Canvass in November may result in a substantial increase in membership of our Church and also in a general strengthening of its life.

For God's blessing upon the mission hospitals of our Church that through their ministry many people may not only find healing but be drawn to the Great Physician.

Tuesday—China

Let us keep China in our hearts, praying frequently and earnestly that out of her present travail may be born a Church that is strong and pure and a nation that is truly great.

Wednesday—Japan

Let us give thanks for the many new missionaries of the Anglican Communion in Japan and for their keen spirit. (*New missionaries come from U.S.A., England, Australia and Canada.*)

For the steady growth of the Church in Japan. (*Miss H. Robinson of St. Matthew's Church, Nagoya, writes of a steady ingathering of new members.*)

Let us pray for God's blessing on the new Social Service Centre for the blind at Gifu where Miss Marguerite Miller carries on her work.

That great blessing may derive from the camps, conferences and study groups for young people held this past summer by the Japanese Church; that

God will guide the plans being made for similar activities next summer.

That God will manifest Himself through the work of the recently reopened New Life Sanatorium at Obuse.

That God the Holy Spirit may so guide and inspire the Principal and staff of the Central Theological College, Tokyo, that the graduates may go forth filled with the Spirit of the Master.

Thursday—India

Let us give thanks for the Rev. D. N. Peel and Mrs. Peel who expect to sail early in the new year for India to join the staff of the new Diocese in the Punjab under Bishop Wilkinson.

Let us pray for God's rich blessing upon our new representatives to India—Rev. Donald N. Peel, Mrs. Peel and their little family.

For those who are engaged in work among the lepers in the Punjab, that they may be given wisdom, skill and love. (*There are three Leper Homes in the new diocese-to-be, at Tarn Taran, Subathu and Palampur.*)

That the several educational institutions in the Punjab may be centres of strong Christian Influence throughout the whole of North India.

Friday—Muslim Lands

Let us give thanks for the many opportunities of preaching the word and of demonstrating the love of Christ in Muslim lands.

Let us pray for a growing understanding and tolerance between Pakistan and India which will lead to friendship and peace.

That the students from Muslim lands studying in Britain or North America may so find Christ that they will return to their homelands as demonstrators of a truly Christian way of life. (*There are 2,914 Muslim students in the United States alone.*)

That the printed word may find ever wider distribution among the people and that its message may have power to transform.

Saturday—Amman, Jordan

Let us give thanks for the expansion and renovation which has taken place at The Bishop's School, Amman, Jordan, within the last year, and for the good work being done by Principal Sharp and his staff among the 200 boys in the School.

Let us pray that the Spirit of God may operate in the hearts of the boys of The Bishop's School, creating a group of individuals who will witness in their lives to the redemptive power of Christ.

AFRICA CALLING

An S.O.S. has been received by M.S.C.C. from the Church Missionary Society, London, England. It is a plea for trained teachers for C.M.S. schools in Nigeria. The necessary funds are already in hand. Can the Canadian Church help in providing the men and women required?

The need for men teachers is for graduates, single, with twelve years' previous teaching experience, or a teaching qualification in addition to their degree, plus nine years' experience.

The need for women teachers is for graduates, single, with nine years' teaching experience, or a teaching qualification in addition to their degree, plus six years' teaching experience.

Applicants would be required to be in full sympathy with the aims and work of C.M.S., and able to pass the necessary medical examination.

Further information may be obtained from the representative of C.M.S. in Canada, the Rev. J. S. Harrington, 122 Glenview Avenue, Toronto 12.

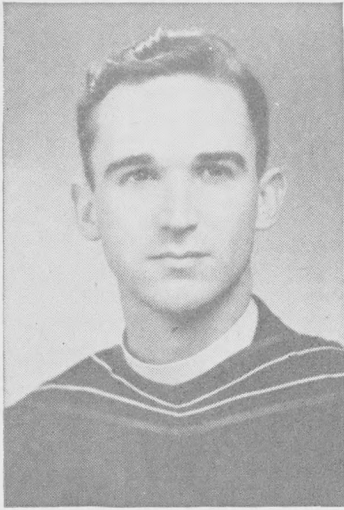
M.S.C.C. has officially endorsed this appeal and commends it to teachers with the requisite qualifications.

L. A. DIXON,
General Secretary.

TOKYO, JAPAN



At left, the Rev. Norman Smith, the newest M.S.C.C. missionary to Japan. With him is the pastor of the local Church which he attends and his family. Only the walls are standing of this large church, but with the assistance of the Japanese Churches' Reconstruction Fund a small temporary structure, the white building in the centre, has been erected. This is to serve until the vast sum needed for rebuilding can be collected. At the right, Ronald Heywood of Japan Evangelistic Band.



The Rev. D. N. Peel, B.A.



Mrs. D. N. Peel

Destination - INDIA

Mr. and Mrs. Peel expect to sail for India early in 1952 to join the staff of the new diocese in the Punjab under Bishop Wilkinson. Mr. Peel, whose home is in Toronto, is a graduate of the University of Toronto and of Wycliffe College. He was priested in 1949 and has spent two years in the parish of Macklin, Diocese of Saskatoon. Mrs. Peel, who comes from Laurel, Ontario, taught for two years in the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, Ontario, following her graduation from University. The prayers and good wishes of the Canadian Church go with these young people as they begin this great adventure.

LIVING MEMORIALS

It has been our custom from the early days of our history to raise costly memorials of wood, stone, metal or glass to our loved ones who have passed into the nearer presence of God. But did you ever think of raising a **Living Memorial** to them—of investing in a life or in something which would save life, or would help to build physical and spiritual health and develop the intellect of peoples less privileged than ourselves?

For example, a Christian boy or girl in one of our mission schools at Kangra or Palampur in India might become your memorial student—you providing all or part of his yearly support. A picture of the student would be sent to you and you would be kept in touch with his or her progress. Or, some young men, graduates of our mission school in Palampur in the Punjab, wish to become doctors, clergy or agricultural leaders. Their families have not the means to provide this training, neither has the mission, except through a gift fund held by Bishop Wilkinson for this purpose. About \$20 a month keeps a medical student at College in India. Your memorial might cover all or any part of his training—and you would have the joy of helping to build a life of useful service in memory of your dear one.

Again, your memorial might take the form of a small village church in India (cost about \$250), or of a piece of needed equipment for one of the mission hospitals, of books for native clergy libraries or for school libraries, or of a new dispensary van for the village medical work.

India is used as an example—similar memorials might be arranged in Japan or in parts of Canada.

For information please write to the Field Secretary, M.S.C.C., 604 Jarvis St., Toronto 5, Ont.

LOUGHEED

On the 30th Sept. at 3:00 p.m. the Harvest Festival Service was held, a large congregation being present. The decorations were a credit to the ladies responsible and reflected the fullness of the harvest. A surplised choir of girls greatly added to the enjoyment of the service by their delightful singing, for which they were trained by Mrs. Scott and Mrs. D. Thomas.

The Confirmation Class now meets in the home of Mrs. Kirkman. All are looking forward to "the laying on of hands" with the hope that this will be done by their beloved Archbishop.

Mrs. Kirkman, who is in charge of the Little Helpers, as well as doing much valuable helping in other church work, is deserving of our gratitude. Her Little Helpers very proudly handed in their boxes on Sunday, Oct. 21st and sang their children's hymns very heartily. They were delighted when Mrs. Kirkman entertained them at a party in her home.

W.A.—A very successful Bazaar was held on Saturday, Nov. 3rd, the financial result being most pleasing.

Burial—David Thomas, Oct. 24th.

Holy Baptism—Verona Loreen Cookson.



HARDISTY

In a well-decorated church, a Harvest Festival Service was held on Sept. 23rd at 11:00 a.m. A large congregation being present.

W.A.—The ladies met at the home of Mrs. French. The chief item of business was the forthcoming Bazaar which will take place on Nov. 17th and for which the ladies have been putting in much hard and skilful work. After other matters on the agenda had been dealt with, a very dainty tea was enjoyed by all.



ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough

The Memorial Day Service was held on Nov. 11th with Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough. A baptism service followed when Susan Joy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Knull was baptised.

The Oct. Meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. C. Robertson with eight members present. Study period was conducted by Miss A. Simpson and Mrs. E. Wilkinson. Calendars were ordered and small remembrances were bought for Mesdames Aspeslek Jr. and Sr.

The Nov. meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. F. Pow with eight members present. The last half of

the pledge and subscriptions for the living message are to be sent in by the end of Nov. Some discussion took place regarding the purchase of an organ. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. N. Wilkinson.

The St. Andrew's Service will be held with Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough taking part. The Sunday School has purchased two tables for the Primary Department. A number of the Sunday School through the kindness of Mr. R. Light were able to attend the Rally and enjoyed it very much.

The sympathy of the Parish goes to the family of the late William Henry Clarke. The Rev. W. E. Harrison conducted the service.

The Bazaar was opened in the Elks Hall by Archdeacon C. F. A. Clough. It was a very successful affair and thanks are due all the different church groups who made it possible.

Christmas Greetings to all.



ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

Two more members of this Parish have passed away recently. Mr. E. C. McNary and Mr. T. G. Owen, and our sincerest sympathy is extended to their families. Mr. Owen served for a number of years as a church warden of St. Dunstan's and his passing is another gap in our small congregation.

The tentative date for the W.A. annual meeting is Dec. 13th. A good attendance is hoped for.



ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

Members of the Evening Group assembled at the home of Mrs. P. Wilkins on Tuesday, Nov. 6th for their regular meeting with President, Mrs. C. Asp in the chair.

Financial reports from the sale of cards and recent whist drive were very gratifying and it was decided to hold a baking sale at Thirsk's Store Nov. 28th. Members of both W.A.'s met in the Parish Hall Tuesday, Nov. 14th to welcome Rev. Ruscall among us. He has recently come away from Baffin Land, after spending five years there as missionary to the Eskimos. During this time he has been the Prayer Partner of the Afternoon W.A. of St. Mary's. After enjoying a cup of tea together he gave us a very fine address and at 4:00 o'clock showed his own coloured slides to the Juniors and S.S. and W.A. members. All came away feeling Anglicans must try harder to help with the missionary effort as little did we realize the small remuneration of such men as Rev. Ruscall until told to us later by our own minister. It is surely a great call to answer when

one of our own gives his or her best for such work and we at home should give all the support we are able to give.

Both Juniors and G.A.'s are meeting regularly and under capable leadership. The newly-formed A.Y.P.A. meet Sunday evening after the service. We would like every encouragement given this group and it is just in its beginning. The S.S. and Choir will very soon be making preparations for Christmas. The Annual Fall bazaar will be held Saturday, Nov. 24th with needlework, home cooking, white elephant table, Junior table and cup of tea.

The Vestry are ready to start re-decorating the chancel and main body of the church. It is hoped to save the new chancel rail as a memoriam to the late Mrs. Bowden dedicated Dec. 16th when our beloved Archbishop will be here for Confirmation.

The Every Member Canvass has been organized and the campaign will soon be underway.

PHILOSOPHY IS NOT ENOUGH

"Philosophy too often says, 'Let's leave our God and Christ and see how we can find truth and explain man.' You can't. If Christ is God made man, then we haven't got, primarily, to find Truth: Truth has found us. The utter Truth is that we are fallen children of God who—by and in Christ—can be restored to our sonship in God. What we need is not philosophy with Christ left out, but the stark truth, the only truth, that, as fallen we need reconciliation and forgiveness—and Christ's atonement gives that—and power to live the life of goodness, holiness, righteousness. That power is the Holy Spirit; there is no other. Philosophers give us all sort of good advice: sneer at our poor efforts: but one thing they can't give us—Power to live the Christian life. Only the Holy Spirit does that."—(Bishop Carey.)

If a man would be a soldier he's expect of course to fight;
And he couldn't be an author if he didn't try to write;
So it isn't common logic—doesn't have a real, true ring
That a man to be a Christian doesn't have to do a thing.
If a man would be a hunter, he must go among the trees,
And he couldn't be a sailor if he wouldn't sail the seas;
How strange for any member of the church to think—that he
Can stay away from worship and a worthy member be.

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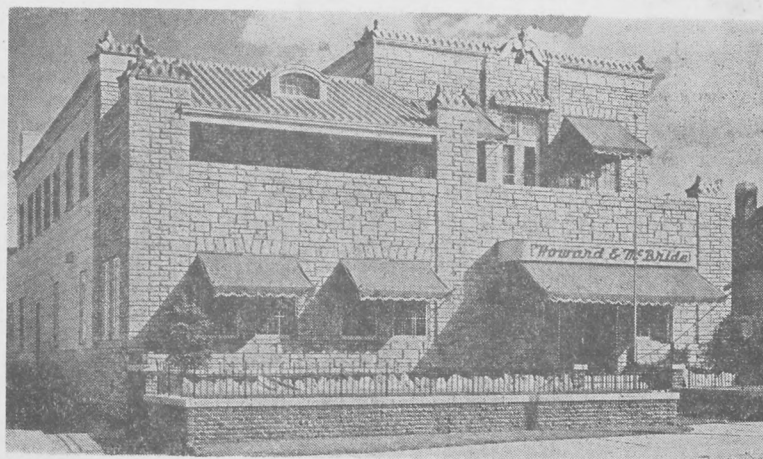
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